



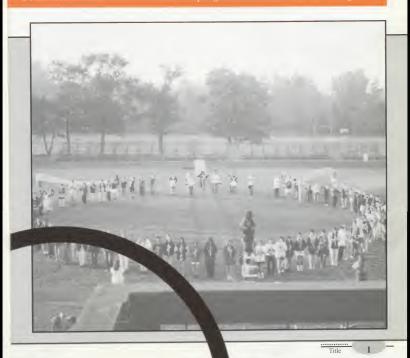
1996 Ingot • A Closer View

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RF's mark
while they

RF's marching band "shines out" while they play "Jamaica Farewell" during early morning band practice.

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Sophomore Mike Sellers gathers "hands on" experience in Mrs. Kathy Hooks' fourth hour chemistry class.

Attempting to produce the perfect jack-o-lantern face, seventh grader Courtney Krasoczka and eighth grader Richard Baron demonstrate their pumpkin carving skills on Hallucen.





Semor Behnda Bayless and jumors Sandi Lockhart and Marisa Flores clown around in the freshman hallway

Stopping by her locker during the passing period, freshman Jessica DeFord waves her wand and grants three wishes to passing students.





A Closer View at ghoulish fun

Senior William Petri expresses his wolf-like characteristics while he raids the candy machine.







ll work and no play? Take A Closer View of the students at River Forest. Their ability to have fun on Halloween wasn't blurred by all of the confusion of high school. Although along the road high school can be stressful and sometimes overwhelming, RF students have always focused on having fun!

The journey through high school can sometimes become hazy. When students felt as if taking one more test was an impossible task and stared at the clock that seemed to read 2:59 forever, they stopped and took A Closer View.

Although sophomore Jeff Long appears to be deprived of sunlight, he is actually dressed as a phantom for Halloween.

Sophomore Mark Rose makes a frightening appearance at the Haunted Grove, which is located in Merrillville.

After a nine-month trial, a jury took only three hours to acquit O.J. Simpson of the murders of his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman. The decision divided the country largely along racial lines. Simpson, who still faced civil suits filed by the families of the victims, wowd to search for the real killer.

In six games, the Atlanta Braves defeated the Cleveland Indians for the 1995 World Series title. Braves pitcher Tom Glavine was named the Series MVP.









20,000 U.S. troops to Bosnia as part of a NATO peacekeeping mission, after Balkan leaders signed a treaty to end the civil war.

Toy Story, the first full-length film to be made completely with computer animation, garnered rave reviews from critics and audiences alike as one of the top movies of 1995







RETROSPECTIVE

AN OVERVIEW OF EVENTS AND
PERSONALITIES OF THE YEAR



Citing the stress brought on by two and a half years of legal battles, Shannon Faulkner left the Citadel after only five days. Faulkner, who had fought to be the first woman admitted to the all-male military school, spent most of her first week in the infirmary, suffering from heat exhaustion.

Retired Gen. Colin Powell toured to support his book. My American Journey, while the country wondered if he would make the run for the presidency in 1996. Powell announced in November that he would not run at this time. but did not rule out any future political endeavors.





Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin was assassinated in October by a Jewish extremist. In the square where the assassination took place, thousands paid homage to the slain leader.

Nearly a million African-American men gathered in Washington, D.C., for the Million Man March, a call for "atonement and reconciliation."



A record 13 years in the making – Baltimore Orioles shortstop Cal Ripken, Jr. broke Lou Gehrig's record of 2,130 consecutive games played. Many looked at Ripken's streak as an antidote for fans who were disgruntled by the recent baseball strike.



Focusing on fall

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rom a distance, RF appears to be a small school. However, if you take A Closer View, you will discover that behind the doors lies limitless possibilities.

For RF students, fall was more than just a season of leaves alternating in color and cool breezes. It was a season of opportunity. Besides having challenging sports teams such as volleyball, football, cross country, and tennis, RF offered many exciting activities.

While some individuals were raking leaves and stuffing scarecrows, RF students were focusing on making fall an unforgettable season.



Forrest Gump (AKA Aaron DuShane, senior) enlightens Dr. Rohert Wright with his knowledge of football and chocolate during a fall sports assembly.

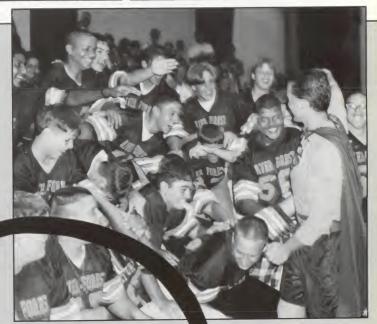


Mr. Weldon Slater plays "Taps" to honor soldiers during the Veteran's Day assembly.



April Ayres, senior, spends time with her grandmother during lunchtime on Grandparents Day.





Class unifies to grab top spirit point-total for fall Homecoming

What's a good motto to live by? The Class of 1996 selected "We create our tomorrow by what we dream today."

Seniors had a year packed with excitement. The class chose the colors of navy blue and gold and selected the red and gold tulip as their class flower.

The year began with a unity breakfast. Other activities included Homecoming, Turnabout, Prom, and Graduation.

Senior Patty Cisneros becomes a "prisoner" of calculus as she works on a problem in Mr. Davee Muir's first hour







April Avres Maegan Baimakovich Megan Baker Jodie Baron Belinda Bayless

Jeff Byrd Shawn Camp Daniel Catlin Patricia Cisneros

























Aaron DuShane Javier Fuentes Ryan Guerrero Chad Guined Terri Hardesty

Amy Hendrix Erin Hendrix Billy Hennings Gabrielle Hess Steven Higgins









Miranda Howell Ruben Jimenez Jamie Jones Becky Kroledge Catherine Landeros



Best Dressed
Coco Martinez and Javier Fuentes
Best Hair
Colin McAllister and Monica Verduzco



Best Smile Maegan Baimakovich and Ryan Guerrero Best Eyes Chad Peek and Lirka Cordero



Most Likely to Succeed Crystal Pelfrey and Ruben Jimenez Class Whiner Michelle Schuffert and Dan Catlin

Senior Class enrollment set at 74 for second semester

Leticia Martinez Paul Matherly Colin McAllister Krista McGuire Ryan McKay









Michele Melendez William Melhorn Charlotte Metz Christopher Odle Dana Ondo









Billy Paceley Jason Pedroza Crystal Pelfrey Natalie Peters William Petri











Class Couple

Jennifer Rowland and Chris Pruitt

Class Flirt

Aaron DuShane and April Ayres



Class Clowns
Patty Cisneros and Adam Puckett
Most Athletic
Jamie Jones and Melissa Piunti



Most Conceited
Natalie Peters and Tony Quinones
Most Spirited
Chad Guined and Charlotte Metz



Tanya Pinkerman Melissa Piunti Christopher Pruitt Adam Puckett Sally Quinlan

Geraldo Quinones Chad Ralph Veronica Ramirez Lori Rodrick Sara Rogers

Benjamin Rose Jennifer Rowland Laura Rudd Michelle Schuffert Brian Stainton

Sherry Therault Chris Thompson Cynthia Vega Monica Verduzco Brent Walker



Glenn Whitmore Diana Wilson

Seniors vote top ten career choices

- 1. teaching

- 8. engancering

Seniors quote favorite everyday expressions

Whatever!
 Anyways
 Dude
 Dope
 Loser
 Ilike it "alor

- 7. It's all good 8. Yeah.. Yeah... 9. What's up? 10. Don't go there

Lookin' Swell and **Dressed to Kill**

"Spirit Week was

great! It was nice to

see the students show

their spirit."

energy-filled week. Because of Teachers In- petition. The victorious faculty team walked stitute, students were dismissed from school away with an unblemished record. on Tuesday afternoon.

Ingots started off the week by showing off their favorite hats on Hat Day and decorating the halls after school On Wednesday students returned dressed as their friends on Twins Day. On Thursday students

didn't bother getting dressed and just came to school in their pajamas! Later that day, students returned to school to decorate floats and the parade, Ingots headed for the gymnasium

Homecoming Spirit Week was a short, to watch the student-faculty volleyball com-

Red and Gold Day was celebrated on Fri-

day. Students sprayed their hair and wore red and gold attire to display their spirit. That afternoon, Ingots gathered in the gymnasium for a pep session, which included the Blues Brothers and the school Jazz Band. The cheerleaders accepted the task of

teaching the junior and senior football players a victory dance.

Students left school that day with high participate in the Homecoming Parade. After hopes and spirits for the evening Homecoming game against North Newton.

Junior Crystal Richards decorates the parade convertible that carried the Junior Class Homecoming repre-





Mr. Don Callahan, principal, watches as Mr. Jim Weitzel bumps the ball over the net during the faculty-student volleyball competition.

Seniors clap to the music at the Football Homecoming pep session.



Senior Chad Ralph watches as senior classmates Gabrielle Hess and Mike Cole paint their faces.



Students talk at lunch during Pajama Day, a Spirit Week dress-up day.







Football players sit on top of a fire engine as they await the beginning of the annual Homecoming Parade.

Cheerleaders attempt to instruct the junior and senior football players in the art of the victory dance.

Natalie Peters, senior, is nominated as a member of the Homecoming Queen court. Natalie was also editor of the '96 Ingot yearbook

Seniors Jamie Jones and Brent Walker and junior Ben Fontanez close in on a North Newton runner during the Ingots' Homecoming thrashing of the Spartans.





Howell reigns as '95 Queen

Vinning Spirit

As the musical sounds of the "Star Spangled" as Homecoming Queen. Jamie Jones was the Banner" echoed across the stadium, students, senior football player named as Mr. Football. alumni and guests became aware that Homecom- Reacting to his selection, Jamie said, "Mr.

ing '95 had officially arrived. The evening was held on September 22, which followed a week of traditional festivities.

At halftime, RF's band presented a musical show with a Caribbean theme. The

tropical rhythms began with the selection "Me players. We were all good leaders." Llama Corrina," and it concluded with "O Ye Comma Va '

The crowd hushed as the following candidates were presented: seniors April Ayres, Patricia Cisneros, Miranda Howell, Natalie Peters, and Sara Rogers. At the final moment, the crowd listened as Miranda Howell's name was announced

Football honors are "...I feel that Mr. Football given to a senior who is should have been given to a good leader and a person who practices hard. all the senior players. We I guess I practiced hard, were all good leaders." but I feel that Mr. Foot-Jamie Jones ball should have been given to all the senior

As the game progressed, the Ingots were victorious over the Spartans. The final score was 48-18.

After the game, the annual Homecoming Dance was held in the cafeteria. Ingots and guests danced to the music provided by DJ's Unlimited.



Senior Miranda Howell serves on the Homecoming Queen court. Miranda also participated in Auxiliary Corps and was a rifle captain.



Senior Patricia Cisneros is selected for the Homecoming Queen court. Patty was also active in Auxiliary Corps and was one of the flag captains.



A regal Miranda Howell, senior, receives her crown at Homecoming. Senior Steve Higgins serves as Miranda's escort.

Cheerleaders yell a chant as they excite the crowd during Homecoming.



Senior April Ayres is chosen as a member of the Homecoming Queen court. April was also a reporter for the Ingot Informer newspaper.







Senior Jamie Jones concentrates during the mock academic spell bowl. Jamie was later named Mr. Football.

Prior to the game, cheerleaders grasp a banner, which was made for the football players.

Varsity Football (3-6)

	RF	Opp.
Whiting	14	11
Kankakee Valley	0	40
Lake Station	8	21
Lowell	0	42
North Newton	48	18
Rensselaer	22	14
North Judson	18	51
South Central	20	21
Sectional,		
Lake Station	11	19
Conference, 4th		



Football Team: row 1: Mike Cortex. Chris Odle. Shawn Camp, Jamie Jones, Auron Dushane. Tony Quinones, Paul Matherly, Bernt Walker. row 2: Moses Fontanez. Jesse Cisseros, Mike Cruz, Manny Heridia. Gary Harlesty, List Quinones, Rick Chandler. Ben Fontanez. Chad Guined; row 3: Thomas Lane, Robert Higgins, Sieve Durent, Lance Schmidt, Kevin Wilson, Jim Wilson. Bran Dweckli, Steve Dweckli, Jeff Guined, David Tölin; row 4: Terry Hardesty. Coach Mike Petrashka. Coach Frank Diaz. Coach Dan Maha, Hedi Coach, Jack Burton. Coach Jim Weitzel. Coach John Thomas, and Jay Guell.





Robert Higgins, sophomore, gains crucial yardage against North Newton.

Looking to give Kankakee Valley poor field advantage, senior Jamie Jones punts for River Forest.



16 Football

Carrying the ball, junior David Torres dodges a tackle against North Newton during Homecoming.



It proved to be a year to build on

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ebuilding was a key aspect for the football team in 1995. The RF squad finished with an overall record of 3-6 and a conference record of 2-4.

The Ingots started out with a victory over Whiting, 14-11, but then the road became a little tougher. Homecoming was a big boost for the team when they beat North Newton, 48-18. River Forest followed up with another victory over Rensselaer, 22-14.

Junior Paul Matherly received Most Improved Player of the Year honors. Senior Jamie Jones was named MVP for the second year in a row and won Mr. Football honors at Homecoming.

In junior high football, Jesse Catlin, eighth grader, was named Most Valuable Player and Aaron Rymer, eighth grader, was selected Most Improved.

Senior Jamie Jones breaks a tackle against a Lake Station opponent.







7th and 8th Grade Football (2-6-1)

	RF	Opp.
Lake Station	0	16
Gavit	0	19
Hobart	6	6
Whiting	12	6
Liberty	0	6
North Newton	6	22
Westchester	0	27
Kankakee Valley	0	35
South Central	20	6

Jauise High Football Team: row 1: James Hopper, Mart Sobel, Andrea Guzman, Melissa Burge, Jelma Dawkins, Benji Kincheloe, Tom Long: row 2: Brandon Crofton, Steven Thompson, Robert Hermandez, Paul Arnold, Chris De-Valut, Steven Nelson, Couch Paul Volt; row 3: Jeremy Jones, Joses Callin, Andrew Degman, John Horn, Frank Caporale, Jon Soto, Aaron Rymer, row 4: Couch Kirk Whiting, Elizer Tonanez, Steven Peek, James Elliniki, and Ray Phinti.





During a game, junior Christina Newsome attempts to stop the opposing team from scoring a point.

Varsity Volleyball (5-19)

	RF	Opp.
Griffith	18	16
	11	15
	15	7
Hebron	6	15
	11	15
Hobart	6	15
	6	15
Win	15	0
	15	1
Clark	6	15
	6	15
Gavit	12	15
	10	15
Boone Grove	3	15
	7	15
North Judson		15
		15
Rensselaer	5	15
	6	15
Washington Twp.	7	15
	10	15
Lew Wallace	15	0
	15	1
Roosevelt	15	0
	15	1
North Newton	15	17
	10	15
Argos	6	15
	2	15
Washington	1.3	15
	3	15
Lake Station	17	19
	15	10
	7	1.5
Lowell	8	15
	14	16
Whoeler	15	13
	7	15
	4	15
Lake Station	14	16
	15	17
Wirt	15	5
	15	12
Hanover Central	9	15
	12	15
Kankakee Valley	6	15

Morgan Twp.

Junior Jill Martin spikes the ball in an attempt to capture a point against players, who jump to defend at the net.





Girls Varsity Volleyball Team: row 1: Miranda Howell, Crystal Mitchell, Chrissy Newsome, Loni Verduzco; row 2: Coach Donna Briggs, Meagan Baimokovich, Jill Martin, Jennifer Maldonado, Misti Stutler



'It's a team, or nothing at all'

100% Pure Effort!

V

arsity team captains, RF seniors

Maegan Baimokovich and Miranda Howell and junior Jill Martin, were the only returning varsity volleyball members on the squad in the '95 season. Jill Martin served her second year as a captain.

Coming off last year's all-time school record of 13-11, the '95 season proved to be tough for the squad. They finished with a record of 5-19.

Commenting on the dedication needed to play the sport, Coach Donna Briggs said, "It is not fair to ask of others what you are not willing to do yourself. It's a team, or nothing at all."

Several team members received honors for their contributions to the squad. Most Valuable Player was junior Jill Martin. Most Improved Players were juniors Christina Newsome and Jennifer Maldonadd.





During a time-out, Coach Donna Briggs conveys directions to the team.

Maegan Baimokovich, senior, spikes the ball to the opposing team in an attempt to keep the Ingots in the lead.



Making It Come Together

Increasing Skills

his season proved to be a difficult one for the Junior Varsity Volleyball Team. Seven second-year players and three first year players composed the JV squad. The team finished the '95 season with a record of 4-15.

The team worked every day after school with the varsity. They played against the varsity squad in an attempt to improve their bumping, setting, and spiking skills.

Junior Varsity Volleyball (4-13)

	RF	Opp.
Griffith	10	15
	4	15
Hebron	12	1.5
	11	15
Gavit	8	15
	7	15
Boone Grove	3	1.5
	11	15
North Judson	0	15
		15
Renoselaer	3	1.5
	12	15
Rogers	1	15
	6	15
	7	1.5
Lew Wallace	15	7
	15	2
Roosevelt	15	0
	15	8
North Newton	5	1.5
	6	1.5
Argos	6	15
	2	15
Washington	13	15
	3	15
Lake Station	17	19
	15	10
	7	1.5
Lowell	0	15
	15	11
	0	1.5
Wheeler	4	15
	7	15
Lake Station	15	1
	15	4
Wirt	15	5
	15	5
Hanover Central	4	15
	4	15
Kankakee Valley	11	15
	5	15
Morgan Twp.	10	15
	8	15

Stephanie Santiago, sophomore serves the ball in an attempt to earn an Ingot point.



Girls Junior Varsity Volleyball Team: row1: Shannon Servin, Elizabeth Weger, Crystal Lightfoot, Stephanie Jansen, Jessica Heridia, Stephanie Santiago; row 2: Coach Donna Briggs, Amber Varney, Vanessa Reeves. Harmony Kingery, Angela Bell, and Jody Sutton



Eighth Grade Volleyball (3-5)

RF Opp. Willow creek Lake Station Washington Twp.



Eighth Grade Volleyball Team: row 1: Rebecca Phillipe, Tiffany Sporaga, Amber Cicilian, Andrea Neyhart, Leticia Verduzco; row 2: Jennifer Clifford, Brooke Ostrander, Veronica Mundo, Jessica Sutton, and Tracie Mezera.

Crystal Lightfoot, freshman, bumps the ball over the net while team mates look on.

Seventh Grade Volleyball (0-8)

Harrison

Lake Ridge

Lake Ridge

Willowcreek Lake Station Washington Twp. Wheeler Harrison

Seventh Grade Volleyball Team: row 1: Noemi Fontanez, Fernanda Heridia, Amber Alexander, Alison Patterson, April Lewis, Ruth Norman; row 2: Logan Silich, Rebecca Cisneros, Georgia Mitchell, Courtney Krasoczka, and Jamie Schlers.



Harmony Kingery, sophomore, blocks the ball during a Junior Varstiy match.



Freshman Kim Skalik competes with strong determination.



Varisty Boys Cross Country (3-7)

	RF	Opp.
Hanover Central	L	W
Calumet	L	W
Lowell	L	W
Hebron	L	W
Wheeler	L	W
South Central	W	L
Wirt	W	L
Morgan Township	L	W
Hobart	L	W
Lake Station	W	L
New Prairie Invitational,	25th	
Highland Invitational, 18	th	
Hobart Invitational, 10th		
Conference, 7th		
Sectional, 9th		



Varsity Boys Cross Country Team: rowl: Alex Cisneros, Nate Romo, Derrick Flowers, Darrin Flowers, Tim Dulin: row2: Joe Bull, Chris Manos, Marvin Scott, Reuben Jimenez, and Coach Lyle Neil.

Varsity Girls Cross Country (6-1)

	RF	Opp.
Hanover Central	L	W
Calumet	W	L
Lowell	W	L
Hebron	W	L
Wheeler	W	L
South Central	W	L
Morgan Township	W	L
Highland Invitational,	7th	
Northwest Hoosier Co	onferenc	e, 4th
Dual Bassad (2.0)		



Varsity Girls Cross Country Team; row 1: Melissa Piunti, Pattie Cisneros, Dawn Weger; row 2: Kim Skalik, and Milagro Dominguez.

Most Valuable Player senior Melissa Piunti runs a tiring race past three competitors at regional.



Reaching the Extra Mile



unning their way to a respectable season, the Boys Cross Country Team posted a dual record of 3-5. According to Coach Lyle Neal, Most Valuable Player Derrik Flowers, junior, got into shape quickly and was one of the most consistent runners with a "fantastic attitude." Most Improved runner, junior Darren Flowers, overcame some major obstacles and improved dramatically throughout the season.

River Forest's Girls Cross Country Team experienced a successful season, posting a dual

record of 3-0. Senior Melissa Piuinti, who won the MVP award. took first at the Highland invite and the Northwest Hoosier Conference meet. Melissa placed third at the New Prairie regional and fifth at semistate. Melissa also competed in the state finals, placing eleventh. Senior Patti Cisneros received Most Improved Player honors and provided "excellent team leadership," according to Coach Neal.

RF's junior high boys finished with a record of 4-5. The junior high girls squad ended their season with a 2-8 record.

Senior Patti Cisneros sprints into the lead during sectional competition at Valparaiso University.

Junior Darrin Flowers crosses the finish line at an RF cross country meet.





MVP Derrick Flowers, junior, paces himself for the final stretch.

Junior High Cross Country

Junior High Boys Cross Country (4-5)RF Opp Weeler Liberty Westchester

Hobart Middle School

Junior High Girls Cross Country (2-8)

Kankakee Valley, 11th



Junior High Cross Country Team: row 1: Becky Cisneros, Miranda Burge, Henry Rodriguez, Dustin Coleman, Derrick Hayes, Ray Piunti; row 2: Matt Kennedy, Chris Davis, Marialena Domingez, Joey Heaton, Harold Therault, Ed Maldonaldo. and Coach Doug Gerber.

Junior Johnny Herring returns the ball to his practice opponent.

One for the History Books

"I'm proud

of getting

100 wins..."

Coach Al Detterline

his season resulted in a landmark year for the Boys Tennis Team. For their efforts. they pulled off a

successful season record of 12-1, the best in the school's history

The team was named co-Northwest Hoosier Conference champions, Junior Mike Newsome ended the season 17-1. As number two singles. Mike was the recipient of All-Conference honors. Jun-

ior John Herring, number three singles player, also received All-Conference honors and ended the season with a 15-1 record. Senior Colin McAllister and sophomore Chuck

mentions.

reached his 100 win mark this season with the help of his team. Coach Detterline is only the second RF coach to

at RF, Coach Detterline said, "I'm proud of getting 100 wins." He indicated that the record "brings up

Hudson, doubles players, received conference honorable Coach Al Detterline achieve this record. Reflecting on his record







Senior Colin McAllister serves the ball while sophomore Chuck Hudson waits to return.

Boys Tennis (12-1)

	RF	Opp.
Hammond Morton	5	0
William Wirt	5	0
Hammond	5	0
Hammond Morton	4	1
Lowell	2	3
Gavit	4	1
Griffith	3	2
East Chicago Central	4	1
Roosevelt	5	0
Rensselaer	5	0
Lake Station	3	2
Lew Wallace	4	1
West Side	4	1
Sectional	2	3



Boys Tennis Team: row 1: Mike Newsome, Dan Catlin, Eric Ostrander, Johnny Herring; row 2: Coach Al Detterline, Chris Carlson, Colin McAllister, Chuck Hudson, Kevin Burton, and Coach John Gutierrez









Junior Eric Ostrander plays a volley during practice while senior Dan Catlin waits in the background.

Junior Kevin Burton serves the ball during a practice.



Cheerleaders raise spirits and money

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iver Forest's cheerleaders held various fund-raisers over the course of the year. The first was a pancake

breakfast at the New Chicago Volunteer Fire Department. The squads also sponsored a walkathon with football players. The cheerleaders donated the money they earned to the football team.

The cheerleading squads also attended a camp held at River Forest over the summer given by the Butler University cheerleaders. At camp the squads learned new stunts, cheers and chants.



Cheerleaders get the crowd excited during a football game.



Firing-up the crowd, Janette Loughran, junior, yells a cheer during a football game

Freshman Cheerleading Squad



Freshman Cheerleading Squad: row 1: Tiffany Bowen. Shannon Servin, Elizabeth Lockhart; row 2: Jessica DeFord. Amanda Atterbury. Kate Butchko, and Coach Stacey Lemley.

Varsity Cheerleading Squad



Varsity Cheerleading Squad: row 1: Sara Rogers; row 2: Leticia Martinez, Doug Guess, Sherry Therault; row 3: Nicole Squires, and Janette Loughran.



Junior High Cheerleading Squads



Junior High Cheerleading Squads: row 1: Charity Rodriguez, Rebecca Chirch, Annette Piesyk, Annie Kearby, Brooke Ostrander, Samantha Pieszchala, Veronica Mundo; row 2: Jennifer Clifford, Jill Loughran, Monica Burgos, Melissa Bradford, Jessica Sutton, and Coach Laura Norman.

Sophomore Nicole Squires gets the crowd on their feet during the basketball sectional pep assembly.

Sherry Therault, senior, teaches David Torres, junior, some steps to old rock dances during a pep assembly for a football game.





Watching over winter

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Ithough the months were filled with freezing temperatures and several inches of snow, RF students never had to defrost their school spirit. "Red Hot" events such as basketball Homecoming and Turnabout melted the boredom that winter sometimes brought.

RF students took A Closer View of winter while they participated in steaming activities such as basketball and wrestling. RF also held pep sessions that proved to be "too hot to handle."

When the weather became unbearably cold, RF students heated things up and plowed away the competition.



Coach Al Detterline infuses the crowd with spirit before River Forests' game against their arch rivals, the Lake Station Eagles.



Junior Gary Hardesty sings "The National Anthem" during a home basketball game.



RF cheerleaders cause Ingot spirit to spark as they cheer at a school pep assembly.

Mr. Dennis Leonard, faculty member, entertains the crowd with a comical skit during the Christmas assembly.





Santa Claus (senior Ben Rose) asks Natalie Peters, senior, what is on her Christmas wish list.

Santa's eight unhappy reindeer go on strike after delivering Santa to RF.





Sophomore Jeremy Gallo reads a poem, Twas The Night Before Christmas, as sophomore Rosemary Mitchel and Drama Club members perform in the background.





'Tis the Season

Ingots take time to celebrate the Christmas Season together

Frosty the Snowman (senior Bill Petri) waves to the crowd of cheering Ingots. his Christmas, Ingots were able to celebrate together. Students were invited to stay after and help decorate the Christmas tree used to brighten up the lobby. The Student Council gave students the opportunity to have their picture taken with Santa Claus during the lunch hour.

At the Christmas assembly, RF's Band kept tradition alive by performing "Jingle Bells Rhapsody." The Choir added to the holiday spirit by singing several Christmas-inspired songs.

Christmas-inspired songs. "Famous" celebrities made special appearances to help students capture holiday excitement. Santa Claus (senior Ben Rose) and his helpful elf, Too-Tall (senior Colin McAllister), came to see what Ingots had on their Christmas wish lists. Frosty the Snowman (senior Bill Petri), Rudolph (senior Diana Wilson) and the Wooden Soldier (senior Chad Guined) were also present to celebrate the Christmas Season. The "VonDripp" Family Singers (faculty members Mr. Dennis Leonard, Mr. Ron Hughes, Miss Danyelle Ware, Mrs. Irma Cuevas and Mrs. Natalie Keller) graced center stage with their harmonies.



Santa Claus (senior Ben Rose) and his elf, Too-Tall (senior Colin McAllister) discuss Christmas matters during the assembly.

Sophomore Nicole Squires and her date, freshman Kevin Wilson, pose for a picture. Barry's studios photographed the couples during the evening.

Turnabout '96

Relive the Moments

Ever wish for a magical moment? "If wishes came true" was the theme for Turnabout '96. The event was held in the RF elementary gymnasium. The seniors decorated the gymnasium with iridescent pink and white scenery. As students entered the room, they walked under a pink iridescent arch with falling snowflakes. The seating area was surrounded with white balloontopped trees and beautifully lit lightposts. A shimmering lake graced the center of the dance floor.

Eighty-four couples attended the seniorsponsored event. *DJ's Unlimited* were the disc jockeys for the evening.

Conversation sparks as students enjoy the Turnabout festivities in the RF elementary gymnasium.







Students enjoy a dance during Turnabout.

Sophomore Jason Varney dances with his date, junior Amie Rogers.







Senior Sara Rogers and her date, graduate Johnny Guiterez, talk near the refreshment table at the semiformal event.

Students dance and play with props provided by the disc jockey during the dance.



Senior Colin McAllister makes a lay-up during the Homecoming game against Rensselaer.

Members of the Beatles (Mr. Jack Burton and Mr. Paul Volk) sing out to the crowd of cheering Ingols.

- 34 Basketball Homecoming

FIREDUP

During Basketball Spirit Week, Ingots participated in activities planned by the Student Council to boost spirit. Activities included such dress up days as Army Day, Bad Hair Day, Farmer Day, Tie Day, and Red and Gold Day. Other activities included hall decorating, a banner competition, an academic competition, a pep assembly, and the Ingot Spirit Court.

The pep assembly was held Friday afternoon. The theme for the event was 'Ingot Aid.' The Beatles (Mr. Paul Volk, Mr. Jack Burton, Mr. Harrison Neal, Mr. Douglas Gerber J, The Village People (Mr. Volk, Mr. Burton, Mr. Gerber, Mr. Kirk Whiting), Arron Tippin (senior Ben Rose) and his fiddle player (junior Doug Guess), "Wallie" Nelson (Dr. Bob Wright). The Susan Vega Band (seniors Monica Verduzco and Veronica Ramirez), and Chicago (Mr. Volk. Mr. Gerber, Mr. Neil and members of the Jazz Band) all came to entertain and show their support for the Ingot team.

The Spirit Court ceremony was held at halftime during the Homecoming game. Ingots cheered as senior Patty Cisneros was named Miss Ingot Spirit and Miss Basketball. Chad Guined was name Mr. Ingot Spirit, and Colin McAllister was selected as Mr. Basketball. River Forest fans then watched the battling Ingots play the second half of the Homecoming game. The final score of the gridiron classic was RF 44 and the Bombers 57.









Senior Patty Cisneros is overcome with joy after she is crowned Miss Ingot Spirit.

Arron Tippin (senior Ben Rose) performs his Country-Western song, There Ain't Nothing Wrong with the Radio.

Eighth grader Andrew Degman enjoys a slow dance with Annie Kearby, eighth grader.



The King, eighth grader Jesse Catlin, leads a dance with the Queen, eighth grader Raquel Montes.







Junior high students dance the night away at the Valentine's Day Dance



Chaperone Mirian Rodriguez steps in to enjoy a dance with junior high

Court Is in Session

February brought visions of hearts and that clever little cupid character sharpening his arrows and searching for the perfect love target. To celebrate the season of love, junior high students attended the Valentine's Dance and crowned a King, Queen, Prince, and Princess. This year's junior high Valentine's Dance was held in the multipurpose room from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on February 14. Mrs. Diane Chary and Mr. Jim Weitzel co-sponsored the event. RF's Junior High Student Council prepared the decorations for the dance.

Last year's King and Queen,

Ryan Csonka and Amber Varney, were invited back to crown the '96 King and Queen.

The seventh grade court members were Matt Sobel, Neil Csonka, Francisco Cuevas and Prince Angel Rosado. Leticia Hernandez, Fernanda Heridia, Marlialene Dominguez and Princess Jamie Sellers were the females in the seventh grade court.

The eighth grade court consisted of Henry Rodriguez, David Otero, Marc Remus, and King Jesse Catlin. Female members included Jessica Sutton, Annie Kerby, Elicia Del Valle, and Queen Raquel Montes.



Junior Leon Hudson shoots for a basket as teammate Robert Joy, sophomore, po-sitions for a rebound.

David Torres, junior, shoots a basket to earn points during a game against Rensselaer.





Junior, David Torres prepares to pass the ball to a teammate during the Homecoming basketball game against Rensselear.

Keeping it going

he Boys Varsity Basketball Team finished with a record of 11-10, achieving their fourth con-

achieving their fourth consecutive winning season. The team had a difficult start, winning only one of their first five games. They then went on to win their

next five games. The team also won against Lake Station by two points in an exciting sectional game at Merrillville.

The honor of Most Valuable Player was given to junior Leon Hudson. Senior Colin McAllister received Most Improved Player.



Boys Varsity Basketball (11-10)

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	RF	Opp.
Chesterton	65	66
Whiting	64	40
Hammond Morton	64	67
Boone Grove	64	66
Hobart	52	53
Lowell	65	49
Lake Station	53	46
Hebron	87	67
Hammond Clark	51	48
Kankakee Valley	78	69
North Judson	35	44
Griffith	62	53
Lake Station	61	50
Michigan City Marquette	76	77
Wheeler	69	6.3
Rensselaer	44	57
Whiting	47	98
North Newton	76	57
Hammond Gavet	74	77
Hanover Central	64	66
Lake Station	58	56
Merrillville	6.4	0.3



Boys Varsity Basketball: row 1: Johnny Herring, Jamie Jones, David Torres, Luis Quinones, Steven Higgins, Jim Bellar: row 2: Coach Al Detterline, Colin McAllister, Chuck Hudson, Robert Joy, Leon Hudson,

Leon Hudson, junior, shoots a free throw during the Homecoming game.

Junior Ben Fontanez shoots a free throw during the basketball homecoming game against Rensselear.

Sophomore Robert Higgins drives to the basket during a JV game against Rensselear.





Eighth Grade Boys Basketball (4-8)

	RF	Opp.
Griffith	L	W
Fegely	L	W
Liberty	L	W
Willowcreek	L	W
Lake Station	W	L
Hanover central	W	L
Westchester	W	L
Hobart	L	W
Ben Franklin	L	W
Pierce	L	W
Harrison	L	W
Washington	W	L



Eighth Grade Boys Basketball: row 1: Irvin Cartagena, Henry Rodriguez, Elliezer Fontanez; row 2: Juan Montes, Matthew Kennedy, Michael Jiminez, Marc Remus, Raul Mosqueda, Edward Maldonado, Christopher Devault, Robers Hermandez; row 3: Coach John Gutierrez, Jonathan Soto, Jesse Catlin, Joey Heaton, Joseph Coates, Maurice Thomas, Kevin Shinkle, and Coach Paul Volk.

Seventh Grade Boys Basketball (8-6)

RF Opp. 59 Fegely 35 36 Liberty 48 33 39 Willowcreek Lake Station 60 Hanover Central Westchester 49 35 36 Hobart 35 Ben Franklin 44

32 46



Seventh Grade Boys Basketball: row 1: David Gilarski, Steven Palmer, Jerry Beeson, William Carns, Jose Cisneros, David Roach: row 2: Neil Csonka, Charles Mitchell, David Collazo, Scott Cucbas, Angel Rosado, James Belinsky, and Coach Doug Gerber

Pierce

Harrison

Washington Twp.

Kevin Wilson, freshman, gets double teamed during a JV



Team Effort Is What It Takes

he JV Boys Basketball team played hard this season, according to Coach Joe

Burleson. "The guys kept coming to practice and playing hard even though they were not winning the games they wanted to," said Coach Joe

Burleson.

Coach Burleson said
the team worked well to-

gether, and according to the statistics, the strongest point of their game was obviously rebounding.

Coach Burleson said he was proud of the effort put into the game by his team even

though they ended the season with a record of 4-16. The team also had a conference record of 1-5.

'The guys played hard even though they weren't winning the games.' Coach Joe Burleson. The Freshman Boys Basketball Team had an outstanding season this year. This was the first winning season in six years for the freshman team. They finished the season with an 8-7 record. According to their coach. Terry

Wilcox, it was a great team effort that paid off by helping the team realize they were capable of winning.

Junior Varsity Boys Basketball (4-16)

	RF	Opp.
Chesterton	13	40
Whiting	23	28
Hammond Morton	33	50
Boone Grove	27	35
Hobart	29	31
Lowell	44	48
Lake Station	30	35
Hebron	47	37
Hammond Clark	40	45
Kankakee Valley	29	36
North Judson	41	50
Griffith	57	46
Lake Station	42	45
Marquette	45	83
Wheeler	43	52
Rensselaer	27	46
Whiting	39	19
North Newton	46	36
Hammond Gavit	22	31
Hannes Cantrol	40	41



Boys Junior Varsity Basketball: row 1: Robert Higgins, Adam Hall, Eric Ostrander, Ben Fontanez, Gus Hernandez, Joe Bull: row 2: Coach Joe Burleson, Kevin Wilson, Chris Carlson, Moses Fontanez, Jason Varney, and Steve Drwcki.

Freshman Boys Basketball (8-7)

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	RF	Opp.
Lake Station	31	24
Crown Point	21	44
Lake Station	36	29
Griffith	36	28
Whiting	49	29
Hanover Central	41	24
Kankakee Valley	35	55
Washington Twp.	36	38
Hammond Clark	60	21
Hebron	40	41
Hobart	34	42
Lowell	22	52
Chesterton	39	38
Griffith	37	54



Freshman Boys Basketball: row 1: Michael Domsic, David Fontanez, Brian Drwecki, Jered Peters, Francisco Hernandez, Javier Heridia; row 2: Ryan Czonka, Juan Martinez, Troy Mezera, Joe Lewis, Eliu Fontanez, and Nate Romo.

Jill Martin, junior, concentrates on shooting the ball during RF's game against Rensselaer.







Senior Dawn Weger follows through with a shot, which drops in for two points during a home basketball game.

Vanessa Reeves, sophomore, anxiously awaits the results of her free throw during a home game.

Girls Varsity Basketball Team (4-14)

	RF	Opp.
Calumet	39	52
Morgan Twp.	67	56
Lake Station	28	31
Boone grove	27	49
Griffith	42	58
Washington Twp.	57	47
North Newton	36	55
Lowell	34	48
Wheeler	46	58
Oregon-Davis	59	47
Hebron	42	48
North Judson	38	76
K.V.	30	69
Andrean	41	49
Rensselaer	32	45
Hobart	37	41



Girls Varsity Basketball Team: row 1: Dawn Weger, Patricia Cisneros, Jessica Heridia, Melissa Piunti; row 2: Coach Dan Muha, Jennifer Maldonado, Harmony Kingery, Crystal Mitchell, Christina Newsome, Jill Martin, Vanessa Reeves, and Coach Dan Lewis.



A Trying Season

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he RF Girls Varsity Basketball Team had a trying season. The captains Patricia Cisneros, senior, and Jill Martin and Christina Newsome, juniors, lead the Ingots this winter.

"Being voted MVP was an honor; however, everyone on the team worked really hard," said Jill Martin, Most Valuable Player.

The girls showed great improvement with their playing abilities and team participation as the sea-

son progressed, according to the captains.
"We should have won more than our record shows," indicated Patricia Cisneros, Most Improved

Player.

The team ended with a record of 4-14. However, the squad anticipates more victories next year.

Crystal Mitchell, junior, easily shoots for two points during a home basketball game against Rensselaer.



Sophomore Harmony Kingery towers over opposing players and attempts to collect points for her team.

Girls squads review b-ball fundamentals

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he Eighth Grade Girls Basketball Team, coached by Mr. Kieth Hyden, ended their season with a record of 6-4. Eighth grader Tracie Mezera was the leading player with

an average of 19.1 points per game.

Seventh grade girls finished their successful season with a record of 7-5. Coach Cynthia Sawyer explained, "I was pleased with the improvements the girls made during the season, but I'm always pleased when we have a winning season."

RF's Junior Varsity Girls Basketball Team, coached by Mr. Dan Lewis, ended their season with a record of 5-10.

Jodie Sutton, sophomore, unleashes a well defended baseline shot.







Freshman Amber Varney takes a clean shot against her opponent.

Sophomore Michelle Ramos shoots a free throw.

Girls JV Basketball (5-10)

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	RF	Opp.
Calumet	31	9
Morgan Twp	35	34
Lake Station	32	23
Boone Grove	27	30
Griffith	27	32
Washington Twp	34	23
North Newton	15	38
Lowell	32	27
Hebron	27	23
North Judson	7	76
Kankakee Valley	14	39
Andrean	33	44
Rensselaer	33	44
North Newton	24	39
TT-b	19	25



Girls JV Basketball Team: row 1: Socorro Astorga, Amber Varney, Crystal Lightfoot, Amanda Harris; row 2: Stephanie Jansen, Jodie Sutton, Michelle Ramos, April Kaehler, and Coach Dan Lewis.



Sophomore Stephanie Jansen shoots a clear shot despite numerous efforts from the Rensselaer Bombers.

Eighth Grade Girls Basketball (4-6)

	RF	Opp.
Merrillville Harrison	38	41
Washington Twp.	39	34
Hammond Scott	31	25
Hobart	28	29
Hanover	45	39
Westchester	33	49
Willowcreek	38	48
Lake Station	23	20
Fegely	35	56
Wheeler	30	53



Eighth Grade Girls Basketball Team: row 1: Tiffany Szpagara, Amber Cicillian. Andrea Neyhart, Denisse Kennedy, Leticia Verduzco. Jennifer Clifford; row 2: Sherry Gunther. Brook Ostrander, Tracie Mezera. Melinda Burge, Malissa Burge, and Rebecca Chirch.

Seventh Grade Girls Basketball (7-5)





Seventh Grade Girls Basketball Team: row 1: Fernanda Heridia, Silvia Montes, Amber Alexander, Marialena Dominguez, Lolita Christopher, Courtney Krasoczka; row 2: Jamie Sellers, Maria Burge, Becky Cisneros, and Elizabeth



Junior Crystal Mitchell anxiously waits while the ball drops during a home game against Rensselaer.

Wrestling (9-9-1)

45 45 48 36 63 Mooseheart Hanover Central Gary Wirt 66 30 18 42 25 72 27 35 16 30 47 38 21 36 Hammond Morton Lake Station Lew Wallace Hanover Central Lake Station Chicago Vocational Hales Franciscian Kankakee Valley Andrean Sectional 3rd



Boys Wrestling Team: row 1: Matt Doffin. Alex Cisneros, Lius Martinez.
Sheila Guiterrez, Greg Guilliana, Jesse Cisneros, Steve Duran, Darren Flowers,
row 2: Coach Julio Cisneros, Thomas Lane, Derrik Flowers, Chris Manos,
Gary Hardesty, Pablo Russi, Mark Persley, Christopher Ballesteros, and Coach
Darren Sandlile.







Junior Gary Hardesty assists Miss Terry Watkins by keeping score during a home meet.



Sophomore Thomas Lane receives the advantage over his opponent during a home match against Andrean. Tom captured a victory in this late season match.



Wrestling

Pinning down a successful season



Junior Mark Persley struggles to gain control over his opponent. The match was held against an Andrean player.

iver Forest's wrestling team finished with a record of 9-1, an improvement from last year. Participating with no seniors, the squad counted on youth rather than experience and fin-

ished with a .500 season.

Coach Julio Cisneros indicated that the young team reached several goals that they wished to accomplish. Increasing the size of the team and improving the work ethic were big improvements from last year, according to the coach.

The squad sent five wrestlers to regional action at the conclusion of the season. This was an increase from last

year's participation.

Highlights of the season included a victory over Andrean. This win tied the school record for dual wins for the first time in this decade. Previously, this had only been accomplished in 1968, 1969, 1979, 1980 and 1984.





Sophomore Pablo Russi grasps his opponent tightly as he struggles to break

Alex Cisneros, freshman, takes an early advantage in his match against Andrean.

books, projects, parties, pastries

Humanities gave students a chance to learn and experience new things throughout the year.

Miss Francie Blaney's sophomore English students emphasized the importance of values by writing and illustrating storybooks for River Forest Elementary first graders. The books were presented as sets to two, first grade classrooms.

Miss Danyelle Ware's French I, II, and III students experienced French delicacies and fine culture during their field trip to Bon Appetit restaurant. Those studying the French language also traveled to La Porte to see the play L'avare (The Miser).

Mrs. Irma Cuevas's Spanish classes participated in many projects to help students gain knowledge about the Spanish culture. Spanish I made special Valentines Day cards, and Spanish II students planned a "Quiencaneara's" (sweet 15 party).



Miss Danyelle Ware's seventh hour French II class takes a bow after a Multicultural Fair fashion show.



English students construct mail-order catalogs from other countries in Mrs. Tina Clindaniel's seventh hour English class. Mrs. Clindaniel was a student teacher during the second semester



Marisela Gonzalez, junior, sings a foreign song for students during-Multicultural Week assembly.

Seventh hour English students complete library research for their multicultural project





Juniors Rachel Vasquez and Greg Gilliana portray "Maria" and "Tony" in the Spanish version of the play Westside Story.

Sophomore Sarah Farthing performs with the Lyn Knight Dance Team at the 1996 Multicultural Fair.







French II demonstrates an interesting way of telling the nursery rhyme *The House That Jack Built* to RF students during a multicultural assembly.

Mrs. Bernadette Monda's junior high bilingual class performs a Mexican dance during a multicultural assembly.

Junior Jessie Cisneros, senior Sherry Therault and sophomore DeAngela Ward participate in the science competition at the Super Bowl Conference.

Junior Mike Cruz receives help from Mr. James Reygaert during his geometry class.





Students watch a videotape about the Rain Forest shown by the library in an attempt to make student body at River Forest more aware of environmental concerns.



Mr. Jack Burton, faculty member, uses dice as a visual aid to help his junior high students understand a probability concept in mathematics.



Mr. Al Detterline explains an assignment to sophomore Steven Duran during Algebra L

The Requirements's of Life

Science and mathematics gave students the proper insight into dealing with natural, everyday problems.

Students learned basic skills in Algebra I class. Illustrative graphing and systematic thinking were stressed intensely to the lower levels of mathematics. Students progressed further by enrolling in geometry, Algebra II, and calculus.

Students gained many new skills in their earth science classes. Basic standard life science courses trained junior high students to work more efficiently together. General science and biology were required courses for students to learn. Upper level courses included chemistry and physics, which were offered for students who had passed basic science classes.



Seniors Chad Guined and Tony Quinones work together during their sixth hour computer class.



Sophomore Jesse Alvarado conducts map research on the new Macintos computer in the library.



 $Mary\ Lemke, so phomore, takes\ yearbook\ computer\ instruction\ from\ Mrs.\ Val\ Tanke, Walsworth\ yearbook\ representative.$



Seniors Dana Ondo and Becky Kroledge laugh as they complete a six hour computer class project.

Mrs. Terry Watkins' sixth hour students work on their assignments for business class.





Natalie Peters, senior, concentrates on her next deadline for the '96 yearbook.

RF junior high students work attentively in the library on an assignment for their classes using the computer.



Computing for future challenges

pallets...windows...
options...,
sound like a
sea of unrelated terms? RF students
pursuing the high tech
track know them as computer terms plus a "whole
lot more." Business and
computer classes gave
students the opportunity to
enhance their abilities for
the future.

enus...files...

Computer application students learned many new computer skills. MicroSoft Works, Word Perfect, and Lotus were a few software programs used. Mastering techniques for producing their own charts, graphs, pies, bars, and graphics were stressed throughout the year.

Introduction to Business students explored many new ideas with economic process, business organizations, saving and investing, and insurance.

Students in keyboarding discovered the basics of writing letters, memos, reports and tables.

Mrs. Pat Sisk's seventh hour class works on aprons for their nine weeks grade.

Exploring dance, sport and life skills in a hands-on manner

"...the hardest project

I've ever done..'

Chris Thompson

Students learned many new skills in the physical education and practical arts classes. Physical education classes enjoyed play-

ing sports and countryline dancing. Seventh and eighth graders experienced "ropics," an exercise using arobics and incorporating rope exercises simultaneously.

Seventh grade home economics classes kept busy during the year

making pillows, pin cushions, and aprons. The nine weeks course is required for seventh graders. Some students in Arts and Design II had their artwork selected for special display. Their paintings were transferred to the art classroom

ferred to the art classroom walls as a permanent decoration.

Senior Chris Thompson toiled all year on his unique woods project, a 15-foot canoe. The canoe was displayed at the Southlake Mall in Merrillville on May 15 at their annual

woods fair and received first place honors in the competition. "It was the hardest project I've ever done, but it's gone well," stated Chris.





Joel Alvarez, sophomore, enjoys working with water colors during his seventh hour art class.

Senior Chris Thompson finishes his canoe as a woods project. Chris finished product won high praise and honors at the annual contest and exhibit at the Southlake Mall in the spring.





Mr. Don Callahan, principal, takes an hour out of his busy day to teach the foods class how to make a great breakfast.

Junior Mike Cruz has a hard workout in his seventh hour weight lifting class.







Todd Compton, sophomore, puts his woods project, a dream catcher, in the display window.

Amrik Carroll, junior, gets assistance from Mr. Robert Rajsic while working on his woods project.



Sighting spring

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F students didn't have time to stop and smell the flowers this spring. The busy student schedule was jammed with activities.

Athletes that participated in RF's spring sports, such as tennis, softball, baseball, and track, didn't let the rainy days get them down. Everyone also sprung to the occasion of the third annual Multicultural Fair. Those that attended the 1996 Junior-Senior Prom were swept off their feet by "spring love."

Spring was a wonderful season filled with breathtaking sights and tons of fun. Although the year wound down, Ingot spirit kept going strong!



Mr. Weldon Slater performs a solo at the Multicultural Week Awards Ceremony. The solo was titled $\ln the\,Mood$ and was written by Glenn Miller.



Freshman Jered Peters receives a second place ribbon for his original art catalog. Mr. Ronald Hughes and Mrs. Peggy Hunt distributed the awards at the Multicultural Week Awards Ceremony.



River Forest Elementary students listen attentively as Danielle Mayes, sophomore, reads a book that she created in English class.

Sophomores Danielle Monahan and Jeremy Gallo chat in the lobby between classes. Jeremy is dressed as a pirate to show school spirit for the RF verses Merrillville basketball game.



Who Says We're All the same?

periences. This year was no different.

"Celebrate America." Opening ceremo- West Side Story. nies included speaker Thom Howell, who demonstrated a Native American Thursday included entertainment from Dance and delivered a brief speech various dance studios, students, teachabout the beliefs and traditions of Na- ers, and a variety of classes and organitive Americans. Canadian native John zations. The Food Fair was an opportu-Nickerson also spoke about the tradi- nity for parents and community memtions and cultures of Canada. The Band bers to come "Celebrate America" with Preformed Colors of the Wind, the students and taste many foods from all theme song chosen for the week, and In over the world. the Mood. Wings and On a Distant Shore were sung by the choir.

ing about different cultures fun.

RF's Multicultural Fairs have al- Humpti-Dumpti, Mademoiselle Moffue, ways been preceded by a week full of Jean et Jeanne and Le Logis que Jean fun, food, unity, learning and new ex- Batit performed by Miss Danyelle Ware's French III Class, A Parisian Fash-The third annual Multicultural ion Show was performed by Miss Ware's Week was held March 27 through the French II Class, Mrs. Irma Cuevas' 29. The Theme chosen for the event was Spanish III class performed a scene from

The Multicultural Fair held on

The award and closing ceremony was held on Friday. Mr. Ron Hughes During the rest of the week, stu- handed out ribbons and awards to the dents finished projects to enter in the students who won the various competiart competition and attended the numer-tions. Mrs. Bernadette Monda and Mrs. ous assemblies designed to make learn- Maritza Medina's bilingual classes received the grand prize for the quilt they The assemblies included the plays constructed about Latin culture.





Mr. Michael Clindaniel carves an ice sculpture for students during Multicultural Week. The sculpture was displayed at the Food Fair held on Thursday evening in the gymnasium.

Sophomore Sarah Farthing shows off the latest styles during the fashion show presented by the French II class at one of the many assemblies held during Multicultural Week.

Sudents from Ms. Bernadette Monda and Ms. Maritza Medina's bilingual class perform a traditional folkloric style of dance that originated in Santa Cruz, Mexico.











Student teacher, Mr.Anthony Colberg and his wife and partner, Mary Colberg, entertain the crowd with the Tango. Mr. and Mrs. Colberg are from the Arthur Murray Dance Studio.

ressed up, steppin' out Sparkling crystal, glittering

Sparkling crystal, glittering formals, fragrant flowers and a spring romanticism filled Innsbrook Country Club on the evening of May 18 as RF students celebrated the 1996 Junior-Senior Prom. The banquet room was decorated with purple and silver to complement the theme, "Spring Love."

Guests received engraved glassware with the theme as souvenirs of the event, which was sponsored by the Junior Class.

After the grand march, students posed for photographs, which were taken by Barry's Studio. The couples also enjoyed a buffet-style dinner and dancing.

"It's always fun to see the students dressed up and acting like young adults," commented Mrs. Pat McNabb, Junior-Senior Class sponsor.

Couples participated in games such as the Hokey Pokey, Chicken Dance, A Dance Train, and the bow tie-and-garter exchange. The activities were lead by Dynamic Music, the DeeJay for the evening.

Student Council President Ben Rose, senior, said, "It (the Prom) was the best dance I ever attended. Prom was definitely a success!"

Senior Chad Ralph assists his date, alumnae Gwendolyn Teeter, with her corsage.



Sophomore Cassandra Cruz demonstrates that primping is an important part of Prom night. Cassandra stops to apply lipstick in the ladies' powder room at Innsbrook Country Club.



April Ayres, senior, and her escort, sophomore Robert Higgins, enter the banquet room during the traditional Grand March.

A photographer from Barry's Studio poses senior Dan Catlin and his date, sophomore Christina Moreno.









Mrs. Suzi Galvins, sponsor, presents a three-year participation award to junior Bianca Polizzotto for Auxiliary Corps.



Sophomore Ricky Sturgill receives an award from Mr. Paul Murray for participation in the industrial arts program.



Junior Mike Cortez receives a certificate and T-shirt for participating in the Heartland Bloo Drive from Nurse Lisa Miranda during Underclassman Awards Day.



Underclassman Awards Day



Mendee Taylor, sophomore, receives an English certificate for excellence from Mrs. Natalie Keller, English teacher.

What About Us?

Everyone enjoys recognition for a job well done. During Underclassman Awards Day, faculty and administration took time to recognize students and their accomplishments.

Awards distributed included a silver medal recognizing 11 years of perfect attendance to sophomore Beth Weger, Junior Jennifer Maldonado accepted a silver medal for 10 years of perfect attendance. Miss Bernedette Monda, bilingual teacher, read an essay written by junior Rebecca Fontanez, which described her first day at an American school. Rebecca received a certificate for academic excellence in Bilingual and Migrant Education. The most outstanding freshman band award was given to Erica Barrow.

Students received plaques, medals, pins, letters. T-shirts and certificates at the ceremony.

the Academic All-Conference Team.



Sophomore Joel Alvarez receives a certificate from Mrs. Irma Cuevas, teacher, for his achievements in Spanish class.



Colin McAllister, senior, receives the Joe Burleson Sports-manship Award, which was given for the first time this year.





Senior Michelle Schuffert receives numerous first place awards from projects entered in the Southlake Mall In-dustrial Technology competition.







Senior Cynthia Vega receives a three-year certificate and medal for Auxiliary Corps.



Senior Class President Monica Verduzco hands Mrs. Pat McNabb flowers to show appreciation for \dot{m} help she gave to the Senior Class.

Accepting recognition on Senior Honor Day, senior Sally Quinlan receives her honor cord for completing the requirements needed for an academic honor diploma.





Yearbook editor Natalie Peters, senior, receives a plaque as a "Post Tribune Most Valuable Staffer." Natalie also received awards for Quill and Scroll Society and a two-year letter for yearbook.



Senior Crystal Pelfrey receives a plaque and certificate for 12 years of perfect attendance.

So We've **Grown** a Little, huh?

Senior Honor Day has become a tradition at River Forest. It is the day when members of the graduating class are acknowledged for their accomplishments as River Forest students.

Friends, family, faculty and underclassmen gathered in the gymnasium to watch the event. Seniors received certificates, pins, plaques, and ribbons for their accomplishments. For the first time, a Top Chef Award was presented by Ms. Pat Sisk and a boys and girls Joe Burleson Sportsmanship trophy was given by Mr. Monte Moffett, athletic director.

Senior Class President Monica Verduzco and Student Council President Ben Rose presented the Senior Class sponsors, Mrs. Pat McNabb and Miss Terry Watkins, with appreciation bouquets.

It's About Time!



Seniors Josh DeShane and Jeffery Byrd march as commencement begins.

Graduation

fter learning the fundamental "nuts and bolts" of education, graduates of the Class of 1996 deposited a remembrance as they shook hands with Mr. Gerald McCullum, superintendent. The superintendent received two metal nuts from each graduate.

Friends, family, faulty and administration gathered in the gymnasium to watch 68 students graduate at commencement exercises on May 30. Patricia Cisneros

Patricia Cisneros
represented her graduating
class as Valedictorian. The
honor of Salutatorian was
earned by Crystal Pelfrey.
Other highlights of the
program included a reading
of the poem "Footprints" by
graduates Monica Verduzco
and Meagan Baimakovich.
The commencement
reading was given by Chad

Guined, graduate.

Musical selections for the event included "Wings" and "We Must Say Good-bye" by the Choir. Also to help celebrate the occasion, "Colors of the Wind" was preformed by the Band. Graduates Krista McGuire and Diana Wilson performed a duet version of "Friends" for their classmates and guests.

Mr. Glenn Mikaloff, 1968 Ingot alumnus, was the speaker for the event. His address was entitled "Challenges...Or Opportunities?"

Dr. Robert Wright, guidance counselor, called roll call while Graduates received their diplomas.

Class President Monica Verduzco and Student Council President Ben Rose lead the changing of the tassel.



Traci Chandler-Rudd performs with the band for the last time as a River Forest student



Addressing the Class of 1996, Mr. Glenn Mikaloff, 1968 alumnus, gives advice to the graduates.



Graduates Mike Cole and Chad Peek display excitement prior to receiving their diplomas.





Salutatorian Crystal Pelfrey gives a special thanks her family during her speech.

Classmates give Patricia Cisneros, Valedictorian, a standing ovation as she takes her seat after an emotional speech.



Girls Tennis

	RF	Opp.
Wallace Invitational	5	0
Hammond Gavit	0	5
Hobart	0	5
Lake Station	1	4
Boone Grove	0	5
Hammond Clark	4	1
Whiting	4	1
Rensselear	5	0
Wheeler	2	3
Hanover Central	4	1
Gary West	5	0
Boone Grove	2	3
Griffith	3	2



Girls Tennis: row 1: Danielle Mayes, Jill Horn, Miranda Howell, Sheila Guticrez. Michelle Schuffert; row 2: Vanessa Reeves, Jennifer Karageorge, Jennifer Maldonado, Crystal Mitchell, Harmony Kingery, and Coach Doug Gerber.

Senior Michelle Schuffert returns her opponents' serve during a varsity tennis match.

Miranda Howell, senior, prepares to return a serve given by her opponent during the Griffith varsity tennis match.





Goals Set...Goals Met

he girls tennis team's hard work paid off this season when they achieved a winning season, even though they did not have good weather. Achieving the winning season (7-6) was a major goal the team set for themselves. This was also Mr. Doug Gerber's first winning season as the squad's coach.

Sophomore Harmony Kingery commented on the valuable experience she and doubles partner, sophomore Vanessa Reeves, gained during this season. Harmony explained that competing at the varsity level will give the duo strength next season. Harmony and Vanessa were also given honorable mention at conference. They hope to help bring a conference championship to River Forest next season.



Maria Cuevas, freshman, prepares to serve the ball during a tennis match against Griffith.

Jill Horn, junior, returns the ball to her opponent during a tennis match held at River Forest against Griffith.

Gus Hernandez, junior, competes in a running event. Gus placed second in the 800-meter and third in the 1600-meter events at conference.



Jill Martin, junior, leaps for distance during the long jump event.



Girls Varsity Track Team (5-1)

	RF	Opp.
Lake Station	50	73
Morgan Twp.	76	47
Washington Twp.	66	57
Marquette	67	42
South Central	82	39
Boone Grove	70	50



Girls Varsity Track Team: row 1: Nicole Squires, Dawn Weger, Patty Cisneros, Melissa Piunti, Milagro Dominguez, Sara Rogers; row 2: Beth Weger, Jill Martin, Krissy Caporale, Amanda Harris, Stephanie Jansen, Jessico Heridia, Kristin Gilliana, and Coach Becky Chambers.

Junior Jesse Cisneros strives to clear the hurdle during competition. RF finished fourth in the Northwest Hoosier Conference meet



Junior High Girls Track Team (1-4)

 Washington Twp.
 41
 67

 Lake Ridge
 47
 54

 Hanover Central
 34
 66

 Lake Station
 29
 71

 Harrison
 78
 22



Janior High Girks Track Team: row 1: Jamies Sellers, Malinda Burge, Victoria Wallace, Kim Reder, Staey Clark, Maria Burge, Katrina Kirk, Fernanda Herditirow 2: Coach Michelle Baldauf, Tracie Mezera, Alison Patterson, Jennifer Clifford, Andrea Neyhart, Ifffany Sporaga, Leticia Verduzco, Amber Alexander, Marialena Dominguez, and Coach Gloria Komosa.

Boys Varsity Track Team (5-0)



Boys Varsity Track Team: row 1: Javier Herdida. Derek. Chirch, Shane Colematic, Gias Hernander, Ben Fontance, Ene Gottaneder, foe Blatt. prov. 2: Psin Drottone, Ene Gottaneder, foe Blatt. prov. 2: Psin Drottone, Lance Schmidt, Troy Mezera, Taiwan Bankhead, Mike Cortez, Lisi Quinones, Rockert Higgins, Pset Vanderselsio, Ban Heramdez, row. 5: Coach Jim Weitzel, Jason Noel, Nick Oslizlo, David Tolin, Emmanuel Herdida, Bill Pacely, Tony Quinones, Emile Jones, Kevin Willomo, Robby Simons, and Coach Jack Borton.

Competiting in the conference event, senior Melissa Piunti strides toward the finish line in the 3200-meter running event.

Senior Patty Cisneros clears a hurdle during competition.



Squads finish thrilling, triumphant seasons

erfect was the word for the RF Boys Track Team, who compiled a perfect record of 5-0. River Forest placed fourth in the conference track meet. Standous included Luis Quinones, junior, who finished second in the high jump competition, and senior Tony Quinones, who finished second in the 100-meter run and third in the high jump. Gus Hernandez, junior, finished second in the 800-meter and third in the 1600-meter runs.

RFs Girls Track Team also compiled team worked well together, according to Coach Becky Chambers. The squad grabbed a first and set a track record in the 3200-meter relay at conference. Melissa Piunti, senior, finished fourth in the 3200-meter running event at conference.

The RF Junior High Boys Track Team finished with a winning record of 3-1. The RF Junior High Girls Track Team experienced a little more difficulty and finished the season with a record of 1-3.

Junior High Boys Track Team (1-3)

	_	_
	RF	Opp.
Villowcreek	43	57
.ake Ridge	51	43
Ianover Central	26	74
ake Station	38	62



Junior High Buys Teack Team: row J: Ray Pinnti, Henry Rodriguez, Ed Cartegena, Matthew Kennedy, Elicer Fontance, Benji Kincheloc, Angel Rosado, Juan Montes, Ed Maldornado, Chris DeVault, Roberto Hermandez, Veronica Mundo; row 2: Coach Jim Spencer, Coach Al Detterline, Kevin Shinkle, Mauricer Thornas, Tom Vaughn, Ion Horn, Frank Caponel, Jeremy Jones, Marc Remus, Verfe Huddleson, Milke Jiminez, and Amber Civillian.



Teed Off and...

Staying Out of the Sand Traps

here's much more to golf than just drive, putt and ball in the cup. It is perhaps the most individualized of team sports.

RF golfers struggled through a tough season, but improvement was a key to their performance. According to Coach Dennis Leonard, "Out scores came down quite a bit. We improved 20 to 25 strokes from beginning season to the end."

The squad's Most Valuable Player was sophomore Chris Carlson. Coach Leonard indicated that Chris only missed qualifying for regional competition by five strokes. The coach explained that considering that sectional was highly competitive, Chris' performance was very good.

Most Improved Player was sophomore Jeff Guined, and the squad had only two returning participants, Chris and David Keefover, junior.

Citing the squad's improvement, Coach Leonard explained that Lake Station beat the team twice in early season, but RF took two meets later in the season from their rivals.

Coach Leonard said, "This was a young team, but all (players) should be coming back next year. That will be a real positive for us."



Golf (2-7)

	RF	Орр
Hanover	229	18
Lake Station	214	205
Hobart		16
Hanover	224	193
Noll		183
Calumet	220	21-
Boone Grove	190	170
Wirt	193	28
Boone Grove	209	19
Lake Station	184	19
Griffith	207	18
Lake Station		20



Golf Team: Coach Dennis Leonard, Chris Carlson, Jeff Guined, David Keefover, and Brian Ray.

Viewing the distance to the cup, sophomore Chris Carlson prepares for a practice putt.







Putting on the second hole, Coach Dennis Leonard plays a round of practice golf with his team.

Lining up a practice putt, junior David Keefover plays a few rounds for an upcoming meet.

Great Spirit

Sophomore Beth Weger steps up to bat during a softball game against Wheeler,



The softball team experienced many injuries, and as a result, the JV softball schedule was dropped. Coach Donna Briggs said, "I'm proud of the players who stuck with it the whole year." The team ended the season with a record of 2-14.

The varsity baseball team ended the season with a coroof of 5-19. The team played hard and strived to win their games. The JV team had difficulty with defense, which was a major factor in their win-loss record (1-11). Once they got past their problems, the team worked well together.





Roberta Willis, junior, catches the ball during a varsity softball game.

Girls Softball Team

(2-14)

	RF	Opp.
Morgan Twp.	3	15
Lowell	0	21
Hammond Gavit	3	9
North Newton	3	17
Griffith	0	17
Washington Twp.	15	14
Washington Twp.	0	13
Kouts	5	27
Portage	5	13
Morgan Twp.	4	14
Gary Wirt	20	9
Calumet	4	8
Whiting	0	10
Westside	16	17
Hebron	1	31
Whooles	0	15



Girks softball: row 1: Beth Weger, Heidy Mills, Peggy Simons, Kimberly Mills, Roberta Willis, Kelly Therault, Sally Quinlan, Elizabeth Lockhart; row 2: Cosch Donna Briggs, Stephanie Jansen. Misti Studer, Christina Newsome, Melissa Bagley, Kristina Caporale, Jill Martin, Stacey Shrewsbury, Jennifer Maldonado, and Cosch Jos Burleson.



Javier Fuentes, senior, waits for a pitch from the opposing team



Senior Dan Catlin prepares to run to the next base during a varsity baseball game.

Boys JV Baseball Team (1-11)



Boys JV Baseball Team: row 1: Gregory Gilliana, Pablo Russi, Taiwan Bankhead, Juan Salas, Steven Petri; row 2: Jered Peters, Phillip Guerrero, Steve Duran. Kevin Wilson, Michael Sellers, and Coach John Gutierrez.

Boys Varsity Baseball Team (5-19)

Morgan Twp.



Boys Varsity Baseball Team: row 1: Ryan Guerrero, Jered Peters, Johnny Herring, Javier Fuentes, Eric Ostrander, Dan Catlin; row 2: Mike Newsome, Brandon Rymer, Colin McAllister, Steven Higgins, and Coach Jim Piper.

Honor Society member Eric Ostrander presents his part of the induction ceremony, while nervous inductees patiently listen.

Sponsor of the junior high Honor Society, Mrs. Mary Ann Barkalow, runs a booth at the Multicultural Fair.





Student Council members deal with the rush as they take orders for carnations to be delivered on Valentine's Day.



Mr. Don Callahan presents sophomore Sarah Saalwaechter with congratulations and her pin as she is inducted into the Honor Society.





Yearbook adviser Miss Francie Blaney presents the new Quill and Scroll members with a gift at the journalism banquet at Paragon Restaurant.

Junior Jesse Cisneros, Honor Society member, tends to customers at a booth at the Multicultural Fair.



ystal Stover, junior, accepts her pin from Mr. Don Callahan at the onor Society induction ceremony.

Leading the Way

here would the student body be without the services and leadership of the Student Council, Honor Societies and the newly activated Quill and Scroll Society?

The Student Council sponsored many events throughout the year to make school days more bearable. From Homecoming activities to Teacher Appreciation Week and much more, many ac-

here would the student body be without ership.

The high school and junior high Honor Societies had another successful year. Students who excelled in their studies seemed to lead the way for others and provided help to them after school.

The Quill and Scroll Society, an honorary for journalism students, inducted four new members for the first time in many years and sponsored the journalism banquet.



Senior Chad Guined helps with Teacher Appreciation Week by placing gifts from the Student Council into teachers' mailboxes.



Fine arts team members sign-in in preparation for their competition.

RF's speech academic Super Bowl team accepts ribbons at the conference competition held at River Forest.





Attempting to control their nerves, sophomore Mary Lemke and seniors Chris Pruitt and Jennifer Rowland study for the conference Super Bowl in the school library.



Mrs. Peggy Hunt, librarian, serves as a proctor at the conference Super Bowl held in River Forest's gymnasium.



Job well done!

ompeting as a new team, this year one for River Forest's academic teams. With only three competitors returning from the previous year, the majority of this year's squads had no idea what to ex-

Lead by returning members proved to be a trying juniors Greg Butler, Scott Fields, Jesse Cisneros and sophomore Brian Ray, the team placed third in Super Bowl conference standings. Next year the team will lose seniors Chris Pruitt, Jennifer Rowland and Sherry Therault.

Three Super Bowl team members received special recognition for their accomplishments in competition. Singled out for honors, Brian Ray was named to the Academic All-Conference Team. Chris Pruitt and Jennifer Rowland received honorable



At the conference Super Bowl, the interdisciplinary team laughs together as they sign-





Super Bowl English team members accept their third place ribbons following conference compe-

Members of the social studies team accept ribbons at the 1996 Conference Super Bowl, which was held at River Forest High School.



According to the story line, the children gather in the class-room as they wait for the bus in the production of *The Side-*walk Ends Here: An Evening of Poetry.

The Sidewalk Ends Here:

An Evening of Poetry

John Bevil	Sco.
Jacqueline Bojorquez	Isabe
Krystal Carroll	Nicoi
Jeremy Gallo	Jeren
Angel Gilarski	Elizabei
Alex Mefford	Ala
Rosemary Mitchell	Stace
Chad Ralph	Hecto
Sarah Saalwaechter	Sara
Mrs. Tommie Ordway	Custodia

As the other characters sleep, sophomores Krystal Carroll and Jacqueline Bojorquez recite poetic lines about the animals at the zoo.



ake a Bow!

rama Club was revived ite poets. in 1995! The organization presented two productions, one in the fall and one in the spring.

On November 13 the lights dimmed and the audience hushed again for the first time in several years at RF's theatre-in-the-round. Drama students took their places and the curtain came up on the production, The Sidewalk Ends Here: An Evening of Poetry. The three scene drama was created by the cast from excerpts from their favor-

On April 18 the club presented A Night of One Acts. The two, oneact plays were Driver's Test and Riding Out the Storm.

The organization was also active at Basketball Homecoming and the Multicultural Food Fair. Members of the club painted faces for both events.

Sophomore Jeremy Gallo puts the finishing touches on a patron's face at the Multicultural Food Fair.



Sophomores Jason Shakula, Angel Gilarski and Jeremy Gallo appear in a scene from Riding Out the Storm,

Driver's Test

Sarah Saalwaechter....Mrs. Cameron Jeremy Gallo.....Ben Cameron Kim SkalikMegan Cameron Bernie Breese.....Fred Sullivan Rosemary Mitchell....Debbie Bymers

Riding Out the Storm

Jeremy GalloMichael Redhawk
Jason ShakulaKeith
Angel GilarskiDolores
Krystal CarrollBonnie
John BevilBrian
Jacqueline BojorquezSerena
Shannon ServinPainter



Anticipating the long journey to Orlando, Florida, band members wait in front of the high school for the bus to arrive.

Pep Band directors Jodie Baron, senior, and Mike Sellers, sophomore, lead the band while entertaining the crowd during a basketball game.









Marching Band performs the school song during a pregame show for football season.

Jazz Band performs at the 18th annual Jazz Festival held at RF in the round.

Auxiliary Corps dances to the music of "O Ye Comma Va," provided by the Marching Band during a halftime show for football season.





Hitting HIGH

Notes

hat does it take to send over 140 band members to Orlando Florida, hold the 18th annual Jazz Festival. win a trophy for placing first in the 1995 St. Patrick's Day Parade, have numerous members attend the solo and ensemble contest at Boone Grove, rehearse for and hold the spring concert and still have time to prepare for graduation? River Forest's Golden Ingot Pride did just that in their '95-'96 season.

From summer practices for marching season to their Disney

World tour, concert season and Jazz Festival, the band achieved a great deal this year and also performed for many assemblies.

The band's constant growth over the years has resulted in the need for three field commanders for marching season. Two new field commanders were added this vear.

Auxiliary Corps members held sponsored a car wash to raise funds for new pom pons, Walmart matched the group's profit dollarfor-dollar. The spirited squad also performed in Florida with the band during their spring trip.





Mr. Rick Cheek directs the high school Symphonic Band as they play Colors of the Wind for the opening ceremony of Multicultural Week

While waiting for the rest of the group to arrive, band members relax after a long day at Epcot Center in Orlando Florida.

Kristin Gilliana, freshman, performs a rifle routine while the band plays at a halftime show

Clubs Keep Active

he 95-96 season was an eventful one for the River Forest Choir. They started off the event, which including singing at the Southlake Mall and at the elementaries. After the rush of the Christmas season, members of the RF Choir began working on their spring concert. Later, the group concentrated on music for their

trip to Washington D.C. The trip proved to be eventful. Most members agreed that it was something they would always remember. The group performed in the nation's capitol at the old post office.

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Choir members file down the hall to the gymnasium to prepare for graduation to begin.



River Forest's Choir performs a musical selection at the Veterans Day assembly.

Spanish Club members wait on customers at their booth at the Multicultural Fair.





Charlotte Hale, junior, performs a solo for Multicultural Week at a student assembly.

Members of the choir discuss an event indicated on a historical marker at Gettysburg.







Chaperones Mrs. Janice Degmen and Mrs. Jeanne Kapciak, eighth grader Paul Arnold and junior Michelle Doffin participate in a wreath laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery.

Senior Jason Pedroza admires a monument at the Gettysburg battlefield.

Members of the newspaper and yearbook staffs gather at the annual journalism spring banquet.

1995-'96 Ingot Informer

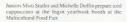
Newspaper Staff

Wendy Lavrick, editor-in-chief Jill Martin, sports editor Chris Pruitt, photographer and business manager Chris Thompson, photographer and business manager Angela Bell, reporter and photographer Trina Bock, reporter and photographer Krista McGuire, reporter and page editor Diana Wilson, reporter and page editor April Ayres, reporter and page editor Michelle Brass, reporter Michael Cortez, reporter Sarah Farthing, reporter Amanda Harris, reporter Ryan McKay, reporter Carol Persley, reporter Stacey Shrewsbury, reporter Amher Varney, reporter

Becky Chirch, junior high reporter Tracie Mezera, junior high reporter







Walsworth Publishing Company representative Mrs. Valerie Tanke tutors staff members about the use of PageMaker for the yearbook.



Editors Natalie Peters, senior, and Wendy Lavrick, junior, present awards to their staff members at the spring banquet.





Miracle workers

hat kind of miracle does it take to accomplish a publication?

Just ask anyone on the yearbook or newspaper staffs and he or she will tell you that it is hard work and no miracle.

Yearbook staffers were challenged by technology. For the first time, the book was produced on PageMaker, desktop publishing. The newspaper staff's only major problem came in the spring with their unexpected repair to a computer camera. Despite the complication, the staff still managed to put out a senior issue.

The year ended successfully with both staffs feeling a sense of accomplishment and recognition at their annual journalism banquet held at Paragon Restaurant.



1996 Ingot Yearbook Staff

Natalie Peters, editor Nichole Woelk, business manager Shelly Doffin, clubs editor Christal Pavlik, activities editor Misti Stutter, academics editor Mary Lemke, sports editor Kate Butchko, portraits staff Ben Rose, head photographer Members of the newspaper staff prepare computer-generated pictures to be sold at the Multicultural Fair.

Yearbook Staff: row 1: Natalie Peters, editor; Michelle Doffin; Gabby Hess; row 2: Misti Stutler; Mary Lemke, Miss Francie Blaney, Adviser; Ryan McKay; row 3: Nichole Woelk, business manager; Ben Rose; Kate Butchko; and Christal Pavlik.

Top of the Line!

Patricia Cisneros graduates as Valedictorian of the Class of 1996. Patricia was a member of Honor Society and active in Student Council, Auxiliary Corps, cross country, tennis, basketball and track during her senior year.

Crystal Pelfrey finishes her high school years as Salutatorian of the Class of 1996. Crystal, a member of Honor Society, participated in Auxiliary Corps and served as Class Secretary in her senior year.





Grads Top Class



Honoring her display of sportsmanship throughout the year, senior Patty Cisneros, valedictorian, receives the Joe Burleson Sportsmanship Award from Mr. Monte Moffett and Mr. Joe Burleson.



Senior Crystal Pelfrey receives the salutatorian trophy during the Senior Honor Day assembly.

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You've Reached the Top in '96 What does it take to rank in the top ten of your graduating class? The best formula is probably perseverance and hard work.

Graduating at the top of your class might mean giving up some recreational and leisure time. It probably means not letting something go be-

cause it's "good enough." It means trying to be better than just "good enough."

Ten seniors were recognized in the spring for all the hard work and dedication. They reached high and their reward was being elevated to the status of top 10 in the Class of 1996.









Sara Rogers graduates third in her class. Sara served as vice president of Honor Society. Sara participated in Student Council, Academic Super Bowl, Band, Cheerleading and tennis. Sara was also class treasurer.

Daniel Catlin rates fourth in the Senior Class. Daniel was a member of Honor Society, Band, tennis, and baseball.

Michelle Schuffert finishes fifth in the class. Michelle served as Honor Society secretary. She also participated in Spell Bowl and tennis.

Jennifer Rowland ranks sixth in her class. Jennifer participated in Honor Society, Academic Teams and Student Council. Jennifer also served as Honor Society treasurer.

Becky Kroledge finishes seventh in the Class of 1996. Becky was a member of Honor Society.

Sherry Therault graduates eighth in her class. Sherry, a member of Honor Society, was active in Academic Teams, Band and cheerleading.

April Ayres ranks ninth in the class. During her senior year, April was a member of Honor Society and the Ingot Informer Newspaper staff.

Traci Chandler graduates tenth in the Class of '96. Traci was a member of Honor Society and Band.

New Personnel

Administration changes

Who was new at RF during the 1995-'96 school year? River Forest not only welcomed new faculty members but also said hello to new administrative personnel. New members included Mr. Andrew Weilgus, Assistant Principal, and Mr. Monte Moffett, the new Athletic Director.

Previously, Mr. Weilgus taught for the Archdiocese of Gary. Along with his duties as Assistant Principal, he also taught an advanced history class at River Forest.

Mr. Moffett organized and scheduled all athletic events for the junior high and high school during the school year. Mr. Moffett came to RF from Wes-Dell High School in Gaston, Indiana.

River Forest Community School Corporation Board: row 1: Mrs. Karen Muha, Board Member; Mrs. Barbara Bennell, Secretary; Mrs. Lois Baker, Board Member; row 2: Mr. Harry Nelson Pedroza, Sr., President; and Mr. John P. Zakutansky, Vice President.



Mr. Robert Marszalek, Assistant Superintendent, looks over his daily agenda, while conducting school business.



Mr. Robert W. Marszalek











Mr. Don Callahan, RFHS principal, fills out his daily paperwork.



Mr. Rich Heavilin, RFJH Principal, discusses school matters via telephone.





Mr. Andrew Weilgus, Assistant Principal, reviews the River Forest student handbook.



Mr. Monte Moffett, Athletic Director, gives Sherry Therault papers to deliver.

Mr. Don Callahan High School Principal

Mr. Andrew Weilgus High School

Mr. Richard Heavilin Junior High Principal

Staff added in high school, junior high

Ms. Sandra Alexander, Cafeteria Staff. Mrs. Melody Ayres, Cafeteria Staff.

Mr. Fred Baker: Keyboarding: Introduction to Business; and Economics.

Miss Francie Blaney: Introduction to Literature 9; Intermediate Literature 10; Yearbook Adviser; and Quill and Scroll Sponsor.

Mrs. Donna Briggs: Social Studies 7; Health 7; Physical Education 9; Varsity Volleyball Coach; and Varsity Softball Coach.

Mr. Jack Burton: Chapter 1 Instructor; Varsity Football Coach; and Varsity Boys Track Coach. Mrs. Joanne Casteel: Algebra 1, and English 9,10.

Mrs. Mary Anne Castellani, Attendance Secretary.

Mrs. Diane Chary: High School English and Drama Club Sponsor. Mrs. Karen Chontos, High School Guidance

Secretary.

Mrs. Irma Cuevas: Spanish 1,2,3 and Spanish

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Mr. Al Detterline: General Mathematics; Intro-Algebra; Algebra; Geometry: Boys Varsity Basketball Coach; Boys Varsity Tennis Coach; and Junior High Boys Track Coach. Mrs. Gayle Genge, Cafeteria Staff.

Mr. Doug Gerber: English 7.8; Girls Varsity Tennis Coach; Junior High Boys Basketball Coach; and Junior High Track Coach.

Mrs. Doris Guined, Junior High Guidance Secretary.

Mrs. Roberta Harnish: Earth Science; General Science 7; and Academic Team Assistant Coach. Mrs. Kathy Hooks: Biology 1,11; Humanities; Academic Team Coach; Honor Society Co-Sponsor; and Science Department Chairperson.

Mr. J. Ronald Hughes; U.S. Government; U.S. History; Civics 9; World History; Social Studies and Foreign Language Department Chairperson; Multicultural Fair Co-Sponsor; and Social Studies Club Sponsor.

Mrs. Peg Hunt: Library Media Specialist; Multicultural Co-Chairperson; Economics Grant Committee; and Technology Planning Team.



Best Tardy Excuses

"There was no toilet paper in the stall, so I had to wait for someone to come in and get me some."

-Mrs. Cuevas

"My mother overslept."

-Mr. Hughes

"I was putting on lotion."

-Mrs. Keller

Staff prepares for PBA

This year's curriculum and teaching aids were rapidly updated. For example, the English and Foreign Language Departments spent the year reviewing and adopting new textbooks for next year.

Students were dismissed several half days this year so that teachers could concentrate on Performance Based Accreditation (PBA). The evaluation will take place next year

to ensure that River Forest is up to curricular standards.

River Forest also expanded its faculty in the fall. The school welcomed Mr. Lyle Neal, Mr. John Shipley, Mrs. Sally Weitzel, Mrs. Joanne Casteel, Mrs. Barbara McKinley and Miss Laura Norman to the staff. Mr. Andrew Weilgus was added as assistant principal in the high school.



Mr. Joseph Kapciak: General Music; High School Choir; and Junior High Choir. Mrs. Natalic Keller: Intermediate Literature 10;

Advanced English 2; and Speech.

Mrs. Gloria Komosa: Art and Design 1,2; Drawing and Painting 1,2; Visual Arts 8; Art 7; and Art Fair Coordinator

Pair Coordinator.

Mr. Dennis Leonard: Health; Basic Physical Education; Advanced Physical Education; and Varsity Golf Coach.

Mrs. Carolyn Machaj, Cafeteria Staff.
Mrs. Angle Martinez, High School Office Clerk.
Mrs. Barbara McKinley, Special Needs Aide.
Mrs. Pat McNabb: Child Development;
Parenting: Quest 7: Home Economics 8: Junior
Class Sponsor; Senior Class Sponsor; and Student
Council Sponsor.

Placement Calculus; and Mathematics Department



Chairperson.

Sawyer retires, Wells receives honors

Mr. Paul Murray: Power Mechanics; Architecture: and Drafting 1,11

Mr. Lyle Neal: U.S. History 8,11; World Geography 7; Boys and Girls Cross Country Coach; Assistant Academic Team Coach; and Sophomore Class

Mrs. Betty Newlin, Junior High Secretary Miss Laura Norman: Science 7,8: Junior High Cheerleading Coach; and Varsity Girls Assistant Track Coach

Miss Laura Patrick: Guidance 7,8,9; and Academic Team Sponsor

Mrs. Kathy Polak, Treasurer

Mr. Robert Rajsic: Manufacturing 8; Woods I,II,III,IV; and Industrial Technology Department Chairperson.

Mrs. Gale Robertson, High School Secretary

Miss Cynthia Sawyer: Health 8, and Junior High Girls Basketball Coach.

Mrs. Lenore Senovic, High School Head Custo-

Mr. John Shipley: Metals 1.11; and Metals 7.8. Mrs. Pat Sisk: Home Economics 7,8; Beginning and Advanced Foods; and Home Economics Department Chairperson.

Mr. Weldon Slater: Marching Band; Wind Ensemble, Jazz Band, Beginning Band, Intermediate Band; and Fine Arts Department Chair-

Mrs. Barbara Spencer, Cafeteria Staff. Mrs. Melinda Sutherland, Junior High Sec-

Mrs. Tanna Taylor, Library Clerk.

































Mr. Lyle Neal, Mr. Douglas Gerber, and Mr. Paul Volk perform as the band "Chicago" at the basketball sectional pep assembly.



Best Tardy Excuse

"I had to babysit last night and the guy didn't come home until this morning, and I couldn't leave the kids there."

- Mrs. Chary



Mr. Jim Wells receives River Forest's Outstanding High School Teacher Award at a dinner, which was sponsored by the Inland-Ryerson Foundation..

















Mrs. Teena Underwood, Cafeteria Manager, Mr. Donald Watkins: Geography, and U.S. History

Ms. Terry Watkins: Computers; Accounting 1,11,111; Student Council Sponsor; and Senior Class

Mr. Jim Weitzel: Health; Language Arts; Science; Mathematics; Government; and Economics.

Mr. Jim Wells: Life Science; Biology; Environmental Science; Transportation Supervisor; and School Safety Committee.

Mr. Kirk Whiting: Current Events; Psychology; U.S. History 11; World History; Junior High Football Assistant Coach; and Honor Society Spon-

Dr. Bob Wright: High School Guidance Counselor 10,11,and 12.



Miss Cynthia Sawyer speaks with Mr. Gerald McCullum, superintendent, at the Teachers Recognition Banquet. Miss Sawyer retired in the spring after teaching for 38 years, 33 with River Forest Community Schools.

New challenges face 129 second semester seventh graders

Seventh graders cite favorite snack items

- 1. popcorn 2. M & M's
- 4. Twix
- 5. chocolate chip cookies 6. Reese's Peanut Butter Cups
 - 7. Gobstoppers
- 8. yogurt
- 10. Skittles



Senior Danny Catlin, class assistant, pitches the whiffle ball to seventh grader Lolita Christopher during a sixth hour junior high physical education class.

Victor Aguilar Sevasti Alahouzos Amber Alexander Adam Baker Jerry Beeson James Belinsky Jason Buchmeier Angel Burgos

Alexandra Canganelli Christy Carlson Christopher Carmer William Carns Lolita Christopher Jose Cisneros Rebecca Cisneros David Collazo

> Michelle Coons Neil Csonka Scott Cuebas Jeremy Farmer Jodi Fields Noemi Fontanez Heather Free David Gilarski

Timothy Gregory Ryan Harder Nicolas Hardesty Fernanda Heridia Leticia Hernandez Amanda Herrera James Hopper

Ray Hopper Jonathan Johnson Amanda Kawohl Courtney Krasoczka April Lewis Randy Lopin William Loving



























Nathan Parrish







































Members of Mrs. Pat Sisk's seventh grade sewing class work on pincushion projects during sixth hour.

Second semester enrollment totals 128 for eighth grade



Eighth graders list favorites in television programming

- 1. "Fresh Prince"
- "New York Under Cover"
 "Sister Sister"
- 4. "ER"
- "Home Improvement"
- 6. "Garfield"
- 7. "Friends"
- 8. "Brotherly Love"
- 9. "Roseanne"
- 10. "The Simpsons'

Eighth graders Henry Rodriguez, Eliezer Fontanez and Raquel Montes gather together for a history test study session in Mr. Lyle Neal's sixth hour class

Jacqueline Acosta Stephen Alexander Paul Arnold Charles Baldauf William Baldauf Richard Baron Seth Bentley Ryan Bolduc

> Melissa Bradford Becca Broderick Monica Burgos Frank Caporale Rebecca Chirch Amber Cicillian Stacy Clark Jennifer Clifford

Andrew Degman Timothy Dixon Paul Garcia Tiffany Garner Sherrie Gunter David Hall Tabatha Harrison Jonathan Horn





Verle Huddleston Annie Kearby Benji Kincheloe Nicole King Anthony Klimczyk Alexander Lee Thomas Long Jesenia Lopez

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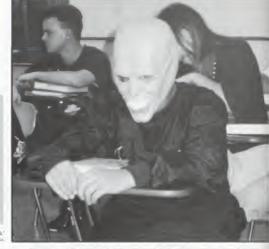


Eighth grade history students participate in Mr. Donald Watkin's sixtl hour class. The course is a requirement for eighth graders.

Freshmen start second semester with an enrollment of 99

Freshmen rate top sports teams for 1996

- 1. Chicago Bulls
- 2. Notre Dame Fighting Irish
- 3. Charlotte Hornets 4. Michigan Wolverines
- 5. Orlando Magic
- 6. North Carolina Tar Heels
- 7. Dallas Cowboys
- 8. Alabama Crimson Tide
- 9. Indiana Hoosiers
- 10. Ohio Buckeyes



Freshman Eliezer Concepcion hides behind a "Mask" during Miss Francie Blaney's seventh hour English class.

> Dollie Aguilar Miguel Astorga Amanda Atterbury Melissa Bagley Heather Baldner Terri Ballard Erica Barrow Timothy Beals



























































Ryan Csonka Maria Cuevas Cairiel Daloisio Jennifer Dawkins Jessica DeFord Mathew Doffin Michael Domsic Brian Drwecki







































Gathering together with friends, freshman Patty Gallegos attends the Football Homecoming dance.

Ben Fontanez, freshman, defends against a spike delivered by Mr. Monte Moffett, athletic director.

Freshmen find high school a new experience

Parent-Son rivalry comes to the forefront during the student-faculty volleyball game. Freshman Kevin Wilson tangles with his mother, Mrs. Pat McNabb.



Freshmen rank favorite songs and artists in 1996

- 1. "East 1999" by Bones, Thugs and
- Harmony
- 2. "One Sweet Day" by Mariah
- Carey and Boyz II Men 3. "Gangsta's Paradise" by Coolio
- 4. "Hey Lover" by L.L Cool J., and Boyz II Men
 - 5. "Dogg Pound" by Gangstar
 - 6. "Fantasy "by Mariah Carey
 - 7. "Dreaming of You" by Selena
 - 8. "First of the Month" by Bones, Thugs and Harmony
 - 9. "Someone Else's Star" by Bryan
- White 10. "She Said Yes" by Rhett Akins



Here: An Evening of Poetry.

Kathy King William Koch Anthony Kroledge Joseph Kroledge John Lane Richard Lewis Crystal Lightfoot Elizabeth Lockhart

Melissa Luellman Stephanie Lyle Diana Mansberry Juan Martinez Manuel Martinez Troy Mezera Jason Montpetit Gary Moss

Jered Peters Michael Persley Cassandra Pazdur Ginny Nord Nathan Nalley







































Jason Saklak Alexander Salazar Annette Sanchez Lance Schmidt Shannon Servin Kimberly Skalik Ken Smith Kimberly Starkey



Steven Stone Dean Teel Clayton Torres Peter Vandersluis Susan VanVleet Amber Varney Hector Vega Jennifer Vega





Freshmen players and students chant rival cheers at the Homecoming pep assembly.

Mrs. Carol Lazarek, speech and language teacher, distributes candy to Mrs. Ellen Fay's class on Halloween.

Second semester Sophomore Class enrollment totals 114



Sophomores suggest best fast-food spots to eat

- McDonald's
 Burger King
- Taco Bell
- 4. Arby's
- 5. Subway
 - . Pizza Hut
- 7. Long John Silver's
- 8. Miami Subs
- 9. Rally's
- 10. Schoop's



Sophomore Harmony Kingery quickly jots down her answer during the Homecoming spell bowl competition held during a Spirit Week assembly.

Maria Aguilar Margaret Allen Troy Allen Jonathan Alt Joel Alvarez Roberto Alvarez Victor Arocho Jennifer Baldauf

Angela Bell Christena Besaw Dawn Biancardi Jacqueline Bojorquez William Bradford Nicholas Browning Joseph Bull Elizabeth Cano

Kristina Caporale Christopher Carlson Krystall Carroll Joshua Cole Todd Compton Christina Coons Cassandra Cruz Steve Drwecki





Timothy Dulin Sarah Farthing Christina Fay Noel Fontanez Jeremy Gallo Angel Gilarski Jessica Gonzales Patricia Gonzalez

Phillip Guerrero Jeffery Guined Tara Harding Melissa Harrison Jeffery Henk Jessica Heridia Robert Higgins April Hook

Michelle Howerton Charles Hudson Stephanic Jansen Robert Joy Jennifer Karageorge Karen Kawohl Michael Keefover Harmony Kingery

Mary Lemke Alicia Long Jeffery Long Juan Martinez Danielle Mayes Jeremiah Melendez Wendi Mills



Sophomores gather in the cafeteria following the Football Homecoming game to dance to music provided by D-I's Unlimited.

Sophomores become first class to tackle Core 40 program

Sophomore Christal Pavlik works hard to complete her yearbook assignment during Halloween dress-up day.





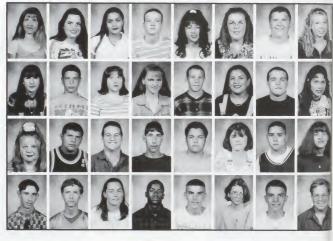
Sophomore Jeremy Gallo entertains the audience while he performs in the Drama Club fall production.

Rosemary Mitchell Danielle Monahan Christina Moreno Michael Morris Becky Nunez Miranda Odle Nicholas Oslizlo Christal Pavlik

Jasmina Perez Bobbie Phillippe Eva Piesyk Jeanette Podgorski Billy Ralph Michelle Ramos Brian Ray Vanessa Reeves

Regina Robinson Eugenio Rodriquez Mark Rose Erick Roth Pablo Russi Sarah Saalwaechter Juan Salas Stephanie Santiago

> Doug Schadel Jason Scott Jennifer Scott Marvin Scott Michael Sellers Heather Serles Steven Serrano Jason Shakula











































Sophomores suggest best places to shop 'till you drop

- 1. Champs Sports
- 2. Rave
- 4. Dots
- 5. Salvation Army
- 7. Fetla's







Sophomores display school spirit while riding in the sophomore truck during the Homecoming Parade.

Sophomore Angela Bell shares a lunch period with her grandmother, Mrs. Pat Schlitz, during Grandparents Day.

Junior Class numbers 99 in second semester

Juniors offer unique excuses for not turning in homework

- I. Elvis took it and flew away in his
- space ship with Big Foot
- 2. My dog died and I had to go to the funeral
- 3. Last night, I had a blood clot in my
- brain so I forgot. 4. My parents and I were flying to
- Europe and I left it on the plane. 5. Mrs. Mihalik gave us so much English that I couldn't finish the other work
- 6. We had homework? 7. I dropped it in the yard and the
- birds took off with it.
- 8. It flew out the bus window. 9. I was too busy thinking about Sara Rogers to care.
- 10. I ate it for breakfast



During Mrs. Kathy Hooks' fourth hour chemistry class, Brandon Wilson, junior, dons a joker's costume to celebrate Students chose a variety of attire for the Halloween holiday.

Faith Alahouzos Peter Aspros Socorro Astorga Michelle Avakian Taiwan Bankhead Jimmy Bellar John Bevil

Christine Budzielek Damaris Burgos Kevin Burton Amrik Carroll Rick Chandler Jesse Cisneros Melissa Clifford Michael Cortez

Michael Cruz Christina Cuevas Milagro Dominguez Scott Fields Marissa Flores





Darren Flowers Derrick Flowers Ben Fontanez Moses Fontazez Rebecca Fontanez David Gill Gregory Gilliana Lilia Ginorio

Adiel Gonzalez Marisela Gonzalez Douglas Guess Charlotte Hale Adam Hall Gary Hardesty Emmanual Heridia Luis Hernandez

Omar Hernandez Laura Herrera Johnny Herring Catherine Hook Jillian Hom Leon Hudson John Hughes Evelyn Jakich





Stars and crepe paper fill the junior hallway during Football Spirit Week.

Junior Jill Martin relaxes in the cafeteria by wearing her PJ's during a Spirit Week dress-up day.

Juniors sponsor annual formal spring Prom

Following the Junior Class loss to the faculty volleyball team, junior Leon Hudson offers his congratulations.

Demonstrating her clowning skills, junior Faith Alahouzos stops to talk with junior Cathy Hook, who masquerades as the "Queen of the Nile."





Sandra Jimenez April Kaehler Randy Kingery Thomas Krejci Wendy Lavrick Sandi Lockhart Janette Loughran Jennifer Maldonado

Chris Manos Jill Martin Kimberly Mills Crystal Mitchell Tracey Moreland Shane Nalley Rima Neely Christina Newsome

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Luis Quinones Shanon Reeves Michael Rice Chrystal Richard Maritza Rocha Luis Rodriguez Amie Rogers

Brandon Rymer Amanda Santmyre Robby Simons Faith Sobel Crystal Stover Misti Stutler Kevin Tolin David Torres

Michael Torres Rachel Vasquez Loni Verduzco Tabetha Wendrickx John Wick Roberta Willis Brandon Wilson Nichole Woelk



Juniors chant their battle cry during the Football Homecoming assembly.

Juniors indicate their favorite '96 fashion fads

- 1. anything baggy
- flannels
 jeans
- 4. sports wear
- 5. sweats
- 7. bell bottoms
- 8. platforms 9. anything casual
- 10. letterman jackets



Kimono-clad Wendy Lavrick, junior, sports a Japanese costume for Halloween.



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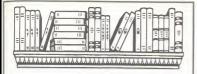
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Maegan Baimakovich: Student Council 3,4; Auxiliary Corps 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1,2; Volleyball 1,2,3,4; Girls Tennis 1,2,3,4; Miss Ingot Spirit Court 4; Class Vice President 3,4.

Jodie Baron: Marching Band 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 3,4. Belinda Bayless: Chorus 1,2,3,4. Shawn Camp: Marching Band 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 3; Football 1,2,3,4; Boys Track 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1: Banch Press Contest 1.4.

Daniel Catlin: Honor Society 1,2,3,4; Marching Band 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1; Jazz Band 1; Ingot Newspaper Staff 2,3; Boys Tennis 4; Boys Basketball 1,2; Baseball

Rule #1

Don't Just Sign Up--Show Up!

1,2,3,4; DARE Officer 1; Hoosier Boys State 3.

Patricia Cisneros: Honor Society 2.3.4; Student Council 1.2.3.4: Marching Band 1.2: Auxiliary Corps 1,2,3,4; Spanish Club 3; Girls Cross Country 1,2,3,4; Girls Tennis 3; Girls Basketball 1,2,3,4; Girls Track 1,2,3,4; Football Homecoming Oueen Court 2.3; Miss Ingot Spirit 4: Miss Basketball 4: Class President 1.2.3; Pep Club 2. Michael Cole: Mr. Ingot Spirit Court 4.

Lirka Cordero: Chorus 3.4. Josh DeShane: Ingot Newspaper Staff 1,4; Boys Track 4; Intramu-

ral Basketball 3.4.

Aaron Dushane: Marching Band 1,2; Football 4; Baseball 1,2,4; Mr. Ingot Spirit Court 4; Bench Press Contest 3.

Javier Fuentes: Boys Basketball 1,2,3; Baseball 1,2,3,4.

Ryan Guerrero: Marching Band 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1,2,3,4.

Chad Guined: Marching Band 1.2.3. Treasurer 4: Football 1,2,3,4; Boys Basketball 1; Wrestling 1; Mr. Ingot Spirit 4; Dare Program 3,4.

Terri Hardesty: Marching Band

Billy Hennings: Marching Band

Gabrielle Hess: Student Council 3,4; Marching Band 4; Pep Band

Rule #2

Even Michael Jordan Practices

4; Ingot Yearbook Staff 4; Cheerleader 4; Girls Softball 4; Miss Ingot Spirit Court 4; Girls Tennis

Steven Higgins: Marching Band 1,2,3,4; Boys Basketball 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1.2.3.4.

Miranda Howell: Marching Band 1,2,3,4; Auxiliary Corps 1,2,3,4; Volleyball 1,2,3,4; Girls Tennis 2,3,4: Girls Track 1: Football Homecoming Queen Court 3:Football Homecoming Oueen 4.

Ruben Jimenez: Student Council 3; Marching Band 2.3; Pep Band 2.3.4: Jazz Band 4: Boys Cross Country 3,4.

Jamie Jones: Marching Band 1,2,3, President 4; Football 1,2,3,4; Boys Basketball 1,2,3,4; Boys Track 2,3,4; Mr. Football 4; Bench Press Contest 3,4; Hoosier Boys State 3.

Rebecca Kroledge: Honor Society 3.4.

Leticia Martinez: Student Coun-

cil 4; Chorus 1,2; Cheerleader 2,3,4; Girls Tennis 2,3,4; Pep Club 2. Paul Matherely: Football 1,2,3,4 All Conference 4; All Area 4; Boys Basketball 1,2,3; Boys Track 3; Baseball 2; Bench Press Contest 3. Colin McAllister: Marching Band 2,3,4; Boys Tennis 2,3,4; Boys Basketball 3,4; Baseball 3,4; Mr. Basketball 4; Hoosier Boys State 3. Krista McGuire: Marching Band 1,2,3,4; Ingot Newspaper Staff 3,4; Girls Basketball 1; Girls Track 4. Ryan McKay: Ingot Yearbook Staff 4; Ingot Newspaper Staff 4; Baseball 4; Ingot Newspaper Staff 4; Baseball

Michele Melendez: Chorus 1,2; Ingot Yearbook Staff 4. Bill Melhorn: Marching Band 1,2,3; Boys Basketball 2; Boys Track 3.

Charlotte Metz: Marching Band 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2,3; Jazz Band 1,2,3,4; Cheerleader 4; Miss Ingot Spirit 4.

Syaracely Nunez: Marching Band 2. Dana Ondo: Chorus 1,2,3,4. Bully Paceley: Football 3,4; Boys Basketball 1; Basketball Intramural 2,3,4; Bench Press Contest 2. Jason Pedroza: Student Council 1,2,3, Vice President 4; Drama Club 4; Chorus 1,2,3, President 4. Golf 2,3,4.

Crystal Pelfrey: Honor Society

Rule #3

Planning Is Not a Last Minute Detail 2,3,4; Student Coucil 1,2; Auxiliary Corps 1,2,3; Girls Tennis 2; Class Secretary 4; Girls State 3. Natalie Peters: Student Council 4; Marching Band 1; Chorus 2; Ingot Yearbook Staff 3 Business Manager, 4 Editor; Cheerleader 1; Girls Softball 3; Football Homecoming Queen Court 4; Quill and Scroll 4.

William Petri: Mr. Ingot Spirit Court 4.

Tanya Pinkerman: Student Council 4 Secretary; Chorus 1,2. Melissa Piunti: Marching Band 2,3,4; Girls Cross Country 1,2,3,4; Girls Basketball 1,2,3,4; Girls Track 1,2,3,4.

Christopher Pruitt: Spell Bowl 4; Academic Decathlon 4; Super Bowl 4; Student Council 1,2,3,4; Ingot Newspaper Staff 1,2, Business Manager 3,4.

Sally Quinlan: Girls Softball 3.4. Geraldo Quiones: Football 1,2.3, All Conference 4, All Area 4; Boys Basketball 1,2,3; Boys Track 1,2,3,4; Bench Press Contest 3,4. Chah Ralph: Drama Club 4; Boys Tennis 1; Wrestling 1,2,4; Boys Track 1; Baseball 1; Bench Press Contest 1,3.4.

Veronica Ramirez: Marching Band 1; Chorus 1; Girls Basketball 2.

Lori Rodrick: Marching Band 1; Pep Band 1; Jazz Band 1. Sara Rogers: Honor Society 2,3 Vice President 4; Super Bowl 3,4; Student Council 1,2,3,4; Marching Band 1,2,3 Secretary 4; FHA 1; Cheerleader 1,2,3,4; Spanish Club 3; Girls Tennis 2,3,4; Footbal Homecoming Queen Court 1,2,3,4; Miss Ingot Spirit Court 4; Class Treasurer 1,2,3,4; DARE Program 3,4.

Benjamin Rose: Student Council

Rule #4

Take Credit, But Make Sure Credit Is Due

President 4; Ingot Yearbook Staff 4; Cheerleader Lifter 4; Football 3,4; Mr. Ingot Spirit Court 4; Bench Press Contest 3; Boys Track 4. Jennifer Rowland: Honor Society 2, Treasurer 3, 4; Spell Bowl 4; Academic Decathlon 4; Super Bowl 4; Student Council 4.

Traci Rudd: Honor Society 2,3,4: Marching Band 1,2,4; Girls Track 2. Michelle Schuffert: Honor Society 2,3, Secretary 4; Spell Bowl 4; Marching Band 1,2; Pep Band 1,2; Spanish Club Secretary 3; Girls Tennis 1,3,4.

Sherry Therault: Honor Society 3,4; Spell Bowl 4; Academic Decathlon 4; Super Bowl 4; Marching Band 2,3,4; Pep Band 4; Cheerleader 2,3,4; Girls Track 3; American Legion Americanism and Government Award 3.

Chris Thompson: Ingot Newspaper Staff 1,2,3,4. Monica Verduzco: Chorus 1,2:

Girls Track 1: Class President 4: Pep Club 2: Student Council 4. Dawn Weger: Marching Band 1,2,3,4: Girls Cross Country 1,2,3,4: Girls Basketball 1,2,3,4: Girls Track 1,2,3,4: Girls Softball 3, 4. Diana Wilson: Marching Band 1; Chorus 3: Ingot Newspaper Staff 3.4: Cheerleader 1,2: Girls Track 4.

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Looking into the future

1996 Yearbook Staff: Natalie Peters, editor; Nichole Woelk, business manager; Benjamin Rose, photographer; Christal Pavlik, activities editor; Shelly Doffin, Clubs; Mary Lemke, Sports Editor; Misti Stutler, academics; Kate Butchko, portraits; and Miss Francie Blaney, adviser.

ost students are in a hurry to graduate. However, once the task is completed, they wonder if their time at RF could have been different.

We never know exactly where the future will take us. We possess visions of our future; however, they are often blurry. The blurs in our lives are what make us more cautious and wise. We always focus on the road ahead; yet, we feel obligated to glance in our rearview mirror and take A Closer View of what has passed.

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Natalie Peters, editor

